

# Meet North Carolina's First Mother

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When North Carolinians want to greet their state's First Mother, they may have to come to South Carolina to do it.

Unless, of course, Mary Martin has decided to visit her son, the governor up North. Her home is in Columbia, and she likes it here.

Her son is James G. Martin, who took office in January as North Carolina's 65th governor.

And in spite of a reoccurring bout of arthritis, Mrs. Martin was present for the inaugural activities in Raleigh. She proudly relates that one of her 12 grandchildren told her she "was every inch a First Mother. I was in a wheelchair during the time, but I didn't miss a thing."

Columbia is not only the home of the governor's mother, it is also the home of North Carolina's First Lady, Dorothy (Dottie) Martin. She is the daughter of the late Ben W. McAulay and Dorothy Gill McAulay of Columbia.

The governor's mother, a handsome patrician woman with soft gray hair and expressive blue eyes, is a native of Savannah, where she met the Rev. Dr. Arthur M. Martin, who was assistant pastor at the Presbyterian church she attended.

The Martins became parents of four children: Arthur M. Martin Jr., 50, a pathologist in Meridian, Miss.; James Grubbs Martin, 49, the governor; Joseph B. Martin III, 44, a Charlotte, N.C., bank

executive; and Neal A. Martin, 39, librarian at Francis Marion College in Florence.

In 1938 the family moved to Winnsboro, where Dr. Martin became pastor of a church. It was in Winnsboro, too, where the governor spent most of his formative years as a student at Mt. Zion Institute, achieving recognition as a scholar, musician and athlete.

He was co-captain and most valuable player on the football team and also played basketball and other varsity sports. During his senior year in high school, he was elected president of the state Beta Club Council, an honorary academic society. He was a member of the school and church choirs and played tuba in the school band.

Mrs. Martin said the boys were encouraged to excel academically, participate in school activities and cultural and civic endeavors. There was also an open atmosphere in the home in which the boys felt free to "discuss things openly. We tried to teach them love of people, compassion and service to others."

There were also rules, which Mrs. Martin said "taught them discipline, and they learned that when I said no, it meant no."

Her visiting grandchildren are held to the same rules at the dining table, she said. "I heard one of them whispering to another, 'She won't even let you get up to go to the bathroom.'" Mrs. Martin's tone was decisive. "I told them, 'That's right. You do all that before you come to my table.'"

The family later moved to Columbia, where Dr. Martin became executive secretary of the Presbyterian Synod of South Carolina. The two older sons were, by that time, students at Davidson College.

In the family dynamics, Mrs. Martin took on the role of disciplinarian. She felt strongly that her soft-spoken and gentle husband should not have to cope with "railing at children, then having to go into the pulpit."

With a shake of her head and a soft smile, she said, "I remember once, one Saturday. I had had all of those children I could take. I told my husband, 'You will simply have to speak to those children.'"

"He went into their room and said, 'Your mother asked that I come in and speak to you. Hi, boys.'" Mrs. Martin laughed and her eyes filled with quick tears.

Although the inaugural activities were "exciting and beautiful," she admits there was a bittersweet quality for her and for her family because Dr. Martin did not live to see his son become governor. He died in 1982.

Mrs. Martin said she was particularly touched by the new governor's remarks during his inaugural speech. "He said his father was the most brilliant man he had ever known, and his mother was the most beautiful disciplinarian."

She follows the progress of her governor son through daily news clippings she receives from North Carolina.



Governor's mother  
Columbia's Mary Martin

Jeff Amberg/The State

## Familiar Face is New to This Location!

Becky Wooten

There's a new business on Congress Street in building that formerly housed the Davis Company, but the new venture is owned and operated by a familiar Winnsboro personality.

Mary Kinley started an aerobics class at Gordon Memorial Methodist Church two years ago. The local interest in her exercise program slowly grew, allowing her to open up "Family Fitness Center" two months ago.

"People in day and time have discovered exercise has to be a way of life," Kinley smiles and says, "our room is a very structured one with aerobics and anaerobics with the purpose of helping people feel and looter."

Mary Kinley turned her program after the one at Columbia's Nautilus Fitness Center. The sister of Nautilus director Jerry Brown, she was hired two years ago to help him out as a booper. It wasn't long before she was bitten by the exercise bug and began learning everything about physical fitness.

At a very stable price, a membership can be purchased but Mrs. Kinley requires that each member be truly interested in the no-nonsense approach to exercise.

"By no-nonsense I mean that everyone who walks has to learn the when, where, and hows of exercising. There are reasons for aerobics and reasons for toning on the machines. We educate and instruct each person," she said.

Mounted in a room with the various machine charts which compare proper rates to age af-

ter a normal period of exercising. The heart rate and blood pressure are taken after certain exercises. These vital signs are measured to help the client stay within safe boundaries of exertion. The program was outlined by a USC physical education professor for Brown's Nautilus.

"We don't just let someone run in, pedal away on the bicycle machine or do leg pulls for a while and then run out the door. Everyone has a chart on file that is kept with each visit," Mrs. Kinley explained.

Just as interest grew with her group that met regularly at church for exercise, so has her business grown since its opening. About 125 are currently enrolled.

"We have men, women and children who come. That is one reason we named it the 'Family Fitness Center'. Exercising is for the whole family," she noted.

In addition to a children's aerobics class and a "Fifty-Five and Alive" class for patrons in that age bracket, Mrs. Kinley has also been teaching aerobics to the 24 varsity football players of Richard Winn Academy.

Commented aerobics instructor Wendy Nichols, "Football coaches are realizing that aerobics are helping their players last through the third and fourth quarters without so much fatigue. It's a new idea but one that's catching on in a lot of colleges across the United States."

For the last two weeks the RWA players, with Coach John Gasque, have met three mornings a week for an hour-long workout. Coordination

and speed are two objectives of the particular program they are on.

"They don't realize it but in an hour period we do 200 situps. Their first workout really got to them, but at this point, they've made a lot of progress," Miss Nichols said.

Scott Barefield, one of the starting players for this year's RWA varsity says he thinks the running and stretching emphasized in the aerobics class will "keep us limber and help us from hurting so much when we are hit by the opposition". He admits that the dance steps took a little getting used to at first.

Another RWA player, David Goudebeck, says he used to wonder why his mother, Nancy, came home so tired after Mary Lyn's workouts. "Now I understand," David sympathizes!

Mrs. Kinley says that many people in Winnsboro who remember her over the years recall the 100 pounds plus she shed on the exercising program at Nautilus. When her husband, Jerry Kinley, became ill several years ago and was eventually taken to Tanglewood Nursing Home in Ridgeway for care, Mrs. Kinley realized that her way of life had to change.

Faced with the responsibility of caring for two children and providing a living for them, she knew that weight had to be lost in order to live and function.

"I can give a good testimony about how to shape up. I've been down that road. And I know fad diets don't work. Exercise is the key," she declares.

She also believes that physical fitness runs parallel to spiritual fitness and says the two are not mutually exclusive.

Her warm personality greets interested people as they stop in to inquire about the new business in town. She makes anyone feel welcome, even those slightly out-of-shape or someone who has never bothered to exercise.

But her imposing tone as she drills her clients in an aerobics workout or as she encourages someone to point their toes on the leg pull machine denotes the air of determination that has gotten her to this point in life.

"As a student at Winnsboro High, I had Mary Maner for a physical fitness teacher. She made you work out. She made you dress-out even when you didn't want to. Her consistency and determination come back to me and I'm thankful I had her to influence me," Mary Lyn Kinley recalls.

Open six days a week until 8 p.m. each weekday, the fitness center is designed to appeal to the working time frames of men and women as well as retired clients.

The grand opening of the Winnsboro Family Fitness Center will be in September, and Mrs. Kinley hopes that people who haven't had a chance to stop in, look around, and ask questions, will come by.

"Some people still think we sell feed and seeds here," she laughs and admits.

Her spirit, along with the three vivacious employees of the center, will go a long way with keeping local interest in exercising. Mary Lyn Kinley's no-nonsense approach to exercise is not unlike her approach to living. Currently, both seem to be in tip-top shape for this familiar Winnsboro personality.

# Three Youths Get Taste of Missionary Life

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By Becky Wooten

Three local youths got a crash course in survival and a real taste of the missionary life this summer as they participated in the nondenominational organization Teens Missions.

Peter Rambo, 18, Jonathan Rambo, 16, and Sandi Wright, 15, all of Winnsboro, volunteered to serve in foreign countries to aid missionary causes.

Peter was involved in the program three years ago and worked in Mexico. This year he served in England as part of an evangelistic team witnessing to people along the canals.

Sandi also served in England, but her task involved clearing a farm site that was to be the future training camp for missionaries studying to be agriculture specialists.

Jonathan's tour of duty was served in the Bahamas as a member of a carpentry team building facilities for the only Bible camp on the Nassau Island.

Before these young people were sent to their respective areas of work, they received two weeks of training at the "boot camp" of Teen Missions, headquartered in Merritt, Florida.

"You really learn how to survive at boot camp," Sandi Wright confessed, "between the obstacle course, the two-mile hikes, the early morning rises, and the tent sleeping, we were all exposed to a new type of lifestyle."

According to Peter and Jonathan Rambo's mother, Mrs. Gunnar Rambo, the intense boot camp experience is to prepare the volunteers for the culture shock that many of them face in the mission field. "It is better to learn to undergo hardships for the first time on U.S. soil than in a foreign country," she said.

Mrs. Rambo first learned of the teen program several years ago by reading a magazine advertisement. After corresponding with the director, the Rev. Bob Bland, she was convinced the program was sound theologically and spiritually. When she discussed the idea with her eldest son, Peter, he chose to volunteer.

There are at least 2,000 volunteers who train at the Florida camp every summer. More than sixty countries receive these youths in their efforts to perform many types of missionary jobs.

"Boot camp was difficult. It was so hot, there wasn't a lot of water to drink, mosquitoes were

pretty bad. It wasn't uncommon for a teen member to pass out from the heat. At first, the attitude wasn't so great. But by the time we were commissioned for missionary service, everybody was ready to go," Jonathan explained.

Jonathan's carpentry skills were polished as he and thirty of his teammates constructed various buildings to be used at the Bible Center. One mishap with a drill put Rambo in the sick tent for a couple of days. But after some penicillin and tetanus shots he started on the road to recovery.

"There is a lot of poverty in the Bahamas. Litter is everywhere and Christianity is not actively practiced by many of the residents," Jonathan observed. Because his crew finished their building early, the last three weeks in Nassau were devoted to a puppet ministry. His team went to many orphanages and jails explaining the Christian plan of salvation.

Sandi Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Wright, said in contrast to the hot and humid climate of the Florida boot camp, her place of service in Tumbridge, England, was very chilly. "None of us in the team brought clothing

for cool weather. We had been told the average temperature was 75 degrees. We almost froze to death the first few nights in a tent," she said. Neighboring Anglicans donated jackets and sweaters to the sixteen girls in her group. Housing was then provided on the farmland and the tents were not used again.

"I washed my hair in a barn every few days and just let it dry naturally," Miss Wright added, "and we never wore makeup except on Sunday to church. It was just too much trouble to put on."

Peter Rambo explained that as he went up and down the locks on the canals in his boat named "The Elijah," he had many opportunities to witness to crewmen and fishermen on the docks. He said that the youth and elderly were very responsive to their tracts and messages. Not everyone was enthusiastic about "missionaries" because so many cults have bombarded England.

Coupled with their spiritual experiences were the reality of learning how valuable washing machines, bathtubs, and mothers are. When they had to do without easy access to any of these luxuries for six weeks a new appreciation emerged.

Memories and adventures were collected daily

while in the program and all three teens eagerly discuss their experiences. Jonathan likes to talk about the day he and two friends swam three miles to another island, which turned out to be full of treacherous coral. After escaping the coral reefs, the boys ran into a rain storm in the water, and prayed for help. Rambo said a fishing boat came to their rescue.

Sandi will not soon forget the teens making fun of her "southern" accent or the tours she took around the English countryside. "I gained eight pounds while I was over there," the slender Richard Winn junior commented, "their chocolate is delicious."

All three of the participants said they would volunteer again. To them the greatest benefit this summer was learning to be independent and adaptable to another culture.

Before leaving for the Teen Missions boot camp, Peter, Jonathan and Sandi were required to secure twenty sponsors donating \$60 each. This money not only went for the cost of food, transportation, and lodging, but also aided in the purchasing of building materials on mission construction sites.

Peter Rambo is currently a freshman at Erskine College while Jonathan

Rambo and Sandi Wright have another year each at Richard Winn Academy before graduation. All three feel like the six weeks' crash course in life and service has given them clearer directions for the future.

The purpose of Teen Missions is "to acquaint teenagers with a real missionary lifestyle and to build character". The three Winnsboro youth who participated fulfilled the purpose with a lot of effort, vigor, and courage.

## Baptist patriot hailed by a direct descendant

A direct descendant of the great Baptist leader RICHARD FURMAN hails the writing of it Richard Furman: Life and Legacy by James Rogers, editor emeritus of the Florence Morning News.

Chaplain James Clement Furman, octogenarian of Nashville, writes that he is a great-grandson of the man for whom Furman University was named.

Rogers' book, published by Mercer University Press, is the first full-length biography of the Rev. Richard Furman (1755-1825).

Chaplain Furman says his great-grandfather was "an educator, a promoter of an educated ministry, foreign missions and home missions, and president of the Triennial Convention at Philadelphia in 1814 and 1817."

(The 1814 convention was the first national Baptist convention held in the United States.)

Furman also was instrumental in founding the Charleston Baptist Association and the South Carolina Baptist Convention.

The Baptist minister was a patriot.

"He spoke with such power and conviction in addressing the colonial troops that it is said British Gen. Lord Cornwallis feared the prayers of Furman more than the armies of Francis Marion and Thomas Sumter," Furman writes.

"It is also reported that Cornwallis offered a large sum for the capture of the young minister."

Furman was born the son of Wood and Rachel Furman at Esopus, N.Y., in 1755. But the Wood Furmans, enticed by a land grant, soon moved to a frontier settlement in South Carolina.

Furman's parents were members of the Church of England. But as a boy Richard Furman was influenced by the preaching of Separate Baptist evangelist Joseph Reese.

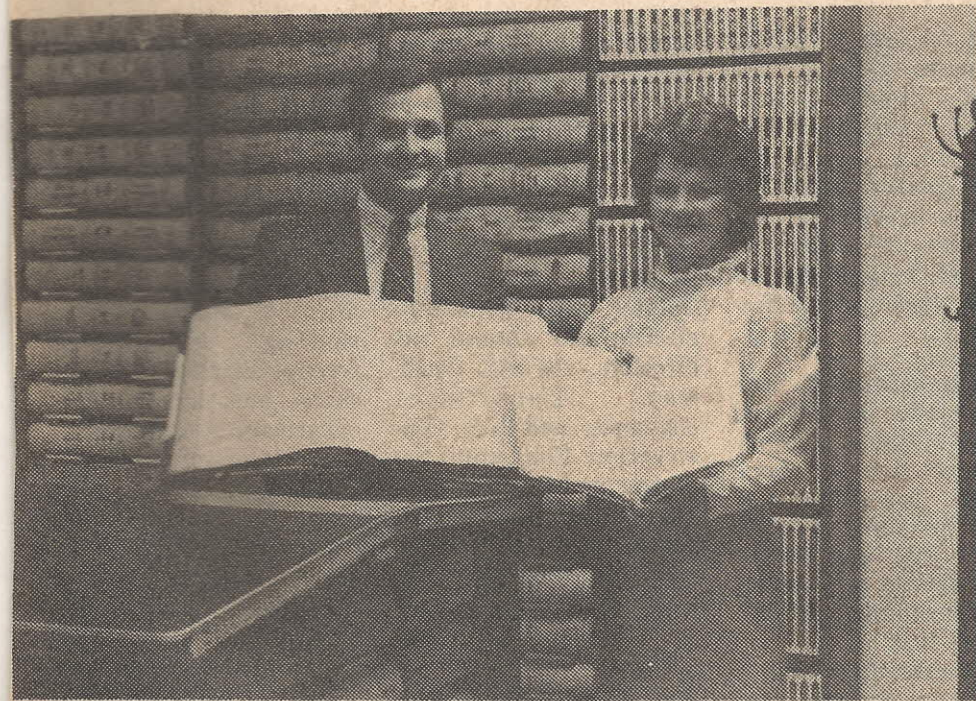
The young man became a Baptist and was ordained into the Baptist ministry. When only 18, he became pastor of his home church, the High Hills of the Santee Baptist Church.

After Furman's wife Elizabeth Haynesworth died, he married Dorothea Maria McDonald. He had 15 children who lived to maturity.

He served the First Baptist Church of Charleston as pastor for 38 years.

His son, Dr. James Clement Furman, was the school's first president.

## A computer for Clerk of Court



Fairfield Clerk of Court Dorcas Anderson compares book sizes.

(Photo by Kristi Godwin)

A new computer recently installed will modernize the record keeping duties of the clerk of court's office, according to Dorcas Anderson.

Mrs. Anderson, the county's clerk of court, and

her staff are enthusiastic about the Business Records Corporation 203 Computerized Index System, which will save both staff and citizens much time in researching records.

The Texas Instruments

Professional Computer represents the leading edge of technology and will provide a much improved index. Mortgages and real estate transactions are recorded as they are brought into the clerk's of-

office, and at the end of the day, that day's entries are merged with the previous data in a file system which keeps a running total for the month. A new index is printed with the new information. This makes record researching as easy for the public as using a telephone directory.

The computer is not so difficult to operate that it takes a college course to operate. And best of all, Mrs. Anderson says there will be no extra cost to the county as the computer is being leased. She explained that the computer will be cheaper to operate than the system the clerk's office has used in the past.

An additional benefit will be the fact that Fairfield's index will be on computer tape at computer company headquarters, and in the event that the county's index is lost or damaged, a duplicate will be provided within 48 hours.

Future records should also take up less storage space, as the new and compact records won't be as bulky as the books the county has been using.

## Nazarene Revival Slated

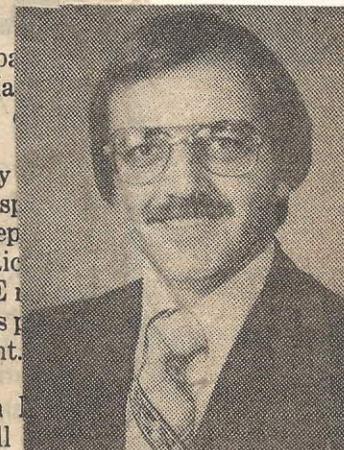
Rev. Barney Baggott, a native of Winnsboro, will conduct a weekend of youth revival services January 25-27, at First Church of the Nazarene on Ninth Street in Winnsboro.

Rev. Baggott, who is now serving as pastor of Parklane Church of the Nazarene in Clarksville, Tenn., is a graduate of Winnsboro High School, Trevecca Nazarene College, Nashville, Tn., and Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City,

Miss. His parents are "Bub" and Ma who reside on Street.

Pastor Billy the revival is sponsored by the Youth Department of the church. Rickson, local GTE representative, is now serving as pastor of the department.

Services on Saturday will begin at 7 p.m., and on Sunday at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. The public is cordially invited to attend.



Rev. Baggott

# Stevenson, Connor Honored by Resolution



Coit Washington

By Faye Johnson

Coit Washington was elected chairman of the Fairfield County Council, and David R. Brown vice-chairman during the first regular council meeting of the new year, held Monday night.

Both pledged their efforts towards working for progress in Fairfield County.

Resolutions were read and passed honoring former council chairman

Marion E. Stevenson, and Fernell Connor, former clerk of court. Stevenson, who served on the council for eight years, the last as chairman, responded by saying he had enjoyed his tenure, and he left the new council members with a word of advice - "there are tough decisions to make - let your conscious be your guide".

In a two-hour session, council touched on a variety of matters, including the following:

-A report given in person by Neal Martinee of Stanley Smith & Sons on progress at the Recreation Center, which was destroyed by the March tornadoes. Martinee explained that reasons for the project being way behind completion date is delayed shipments of steel. Martinee said also a superintendent had quit and taken several workers with him, holding up construction. He said the new completion date is February 15. Johnny Byrd of the Recreation Commission said later that because of the delay in getting the building in use, the Commission's basketball program has suffered. County Administrator Jay Lucas told council that immediately after the March destruction, no one else would look at the building and give an estimate of either cost of replacing it or a time

for completing the work. Lucas said an attempt was made to salvage any usable materials in order to cut down on costs.

Mr. Lucas reported that general obligation bonds in the amount of \$2.1 million, to be liquidated over a 15-year period, will be sold February 6, and that he is hopeful of getting an interest rate of 9.5 percent. The money will go for renovation and improvements at Fairfield Memorial Hospital. Lucas said it appears that no tax increase will be required to make the yearly payments of \$285,000, as the county will use funds from the state accommodations tax and revenues saved by tightening the public works policy.

-Vice-Chairman Brown, reporting for the Industrial Development Committee, discussed the possibility of Fairfield and other counties and municipalities in the Economic Development Commission pooling revenues in a "super fund", and discussed the possibility of developing an industrial development brochure. The brochure, which would be put together by Chernoff-Silver, would cost in the range of \$25,000, with \$20,000 of this coming from the Governor's Office and the remainder from county funds.

## She's Famous for Her Cookbook

By Becky Wooten

It's not uncommon for Minnie Lee Montgomery to be stopped on the street by a newlywed and thanked for a recipe that works so well.

A resident of Fairfield County her whole life, Mrs. Montgomery is known for many contributions, among one is her famous cookbook.

"That cookbook has been sent to 33 states and several foreign countries," she modestly admits. For a project that just started out as a way to record family recipes for her kinfolk, the little cookbook has become a part-time business for the retired school teacher.

It's been almost four years that the cookbook solely authorized by Mrs. Montgomery was first printed. "I sent the first 100 to nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Then I put a few in Economy Drug Store. In four weeks, she had orders for 200 more that had not even been printed."

The simple yet tasty recipes probably lend themselves to the massive popularity. However, Mrs. Montgomery's reputation as a great cook doesn't hurt sales either.

"I was the oldest of six children. I've been cooking biscuits since I was six, and that's a lot of years," she quips, "I remember those first biscuits being as hard as rocks but my Daddy would look across the table and say in all earnestness, 'Minnie Lee, those are the best biscuits I've ever eaten'".

She's convinced her father's encouragement sparked her interest in cooking.

Her twelve years as the wife of Fairfield County's sheriff, Leroy Montgomery, Sr., also added to the files of good recipes.

"The trustee always did the actual cooking, but I bought groceries and was the meal planner for the jail during my husband's tenure. It was not uncommon to feed thirty inmates on a Sunday morning," she recalls, "grits, eggs, biscuits, preserves, it all had to be prepared."

Her talent in the kitchen could possibly be inherited as her brothers and sisters are also known throughout the county as good cooks.

But the little paperback cookbook by Minnie Lee Montgomery includes recipes that she alone collected over the years. Her husband added only one, for catfish stew.

Before she had the book printed, she tried every recipe again, cooking casseroles, pastries, and breads every day for months. "They are foolproof", Mrs. Montgomery promises, "people are all the time stopping me on the street and telling me which one they tried the night before or which one their husband likes."

Does she have a favorite in the book? No, she uses them all. Her two children, "Bubba" and Mary Ellen, and their families are the attesting witnesses to her bountiful spreads they feast upon often.

This time of year Minnie Lee is not only busy mailing copies of the book to fill out-of-state requests, but she is also busy baking goodies for the holidays. "Tea time tassies, peanut brittle, chocolate balls, chocolate covered cherries, and fruitcakes are some of the Christmas sweets I always make," she says.

She thinks the secret to being a good cook is following directions and using a little creativity in meal planning. She likes to grow her own vegetables in the summer and still does a great deal of canning and freezing to utilize fresh foods during the winter months.

"I suppose when you begin a project you never know what might happen, but the cookbook idea really snowballed," Mrs. Montgomery explains. More than 1,000 are in print and people still write and call her home asking for more.

A printing firm in Iowa has worked closely with Mrs. Montgomery since the first printing. They even use her book as a model to send to other aspiring cooks hoping to publish their own files.

"I just enjoy giving them to friends. I have also made friends by giving the book to people I meet on bus trips," she says.

The busy schedule this retired school teacher keeps makes one wonder when she ever had time to work. Sharing a part of her life in the kitchen with others through her cookbook is a rewarding hobby for the talented lady of the Lebanon area of this county.

And many a bride with perplexed looks at the likes of colanders, food processors, and blenders is truly thankful that Minnie Lee Montgomery wrote a book to help them through the maze of meal planning.



**YOUNG CAREERIST** — Cornelia Smith presents Eleanor Mann with a tray at a recent B&PW meeting. Mrs. Mann is this year's Young Careerist and will represent the Winnsboro Business & Professional Women's club in the district Speak-Off. (Photo by Kristi Godwin)

## Careerist Chosen

Eleanor H. Mann, a second grade teacher at Saluda River Elementary School, has been named "Young Careerist" by the Winnsboro Business and Professional Women's Club. She was honored with a silver tray at the monthly meeting in February.

She has been teaching at Saluda River since 1978; during the 1982-83 school year she was selected "Teacher of the Year". She is presently a member of Bethel United Methodist Church where she is an officer in the Young Women's Organization.

Mrs. Mann is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Segris Hightower of Bamberg. She is married to Steve Mann, and they have an eleven-month old son, Thomas.

She will represent the local club in the District Speak-Off on March 16, in Gaffney.

Mrs. Mann attended Bamberg-Ehrhardt High School, and received a B.A. degree in elementary education from Clemson University and her master's degree from the University of South Carolina.



**Mrs. E.L. Shull proudly displays the Sheridan silver Paul Revere Bowl presented to the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 16. The bowl was presented to the local auxiliary by the state auxiliary, and is a legislative award. The bowl is a replica of the original Revere bowl, made by Paul Revere in 1768. It bears the names of the Fifteen Sons of Liberty. The original bowl is housed at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts.**

**PROMOTED** — Betsy Blackwelder Porter has been promoted to the position of director of Technical Services at Fairfield Memorial Hospital. The Winnsboro resident received her degree in radiology at Greenville Tech and Greenville General Hospital. Mrs. Porter is a registered technologist and has been employed by FMH for 16 years. In addition to her duties as director of radiology, she will oversee the operations of the laboratory, respiratory therapy, chaplains, and physical therapy departments.





## SCE&G Promotes Dixon

Osmund W. "Bubber" Dixon, a Winnsboro native, was recently promoted to senior vice president of nuclear power, construction and production engineering for South Carolina Electric and Gas Co. in Columbia.

Dixon joined SCE&G in 1957 as an electrical and instrument supervisor at McMeekin Station. He was vice president of nuclear operations prior to his most recent promotion. Dixon will oversee operations and support at the V.C. Summer Nuclear Station and engineering, construction and maintenance support for all fossil and hydro generating plants.

Dixon attended Furman University for two years prior to attending the U.S. Naval Academy where he graduated with distinction with a bachelors degree in engineering.

He is involved in several civic and professional organizations including the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the American Nuclear Society and is a member of the Atomic Industrial Forum's Steering Committee on Power Plant Design, Construction and Operation.



Mr. Carter

## Carter Joins SCN Bank

Jeffrey M. Carter has joined South Carolina National Bank in Hartsville as assistant vice-president and loan officer.

Prior to joining SCN, Carter was associated with a financial institution in Lexington.

Carter is a graduate of Winnsboro High School, and of Lander College with a B.S. degree in business administration. He is attending the South Carolina Bankers School in Columbia.

Carter is on the board of directors for the American Institute of Banking, and is a member of the Cayce/West Columbia Jaycees.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Zebb Carter of Winnsboro.

## Duncan Interim Administrator

Ray Duncan was named interim county administrator by the Fairfield County Council on Monday night. Mrs. Duncan, who has been with the county for six years, has been serving as personnel director.

Mrs. Duncan will fill the post vacated by Jay Lucas, who will be attending the University of South Carolina Law School, until a permanent administrator is named.

She is among about a dozen applicants for the permanent position.

## Addition to Wilkes Staff

Wilkes and Company, Certified Public Accountants, has welcomed Mary Clare Matthews to their professional staff.

Born and reared in Charlotte, N.C., Mrs. Matthews has lived in Fairfield County since her marriage to Patrick Matthews of White Oak. She received her bachelor of arts degree from Duke University. From 1978 to 1981, she did further study at the University of South Carolina in accounting and related subjects and passed the CPA exam in May, 1981.

During her twelve years at Richard Winn Academy, Mrs. Matthews

became known to many children and parents throughout the county as school secretary. She was also bookkeeper and assistant to the headmaster. Until recently, she was a member of the professional staff of McGladrey Hendrickson and Pullen, CPAs, in Columbia.

As a long-time resident of Winnsboro and White Oak, Mrs. Matthews has been active in many civic affairs. In addition to serving as president, treasurer, and various department chairmen of the Women of the Church at Bethel Associate Reformed Presbyterian

Church, she has also taught Sunday school and Bible school and sung in the choir. She has twice served on the executive board of Catawba Presbyterial of the ARP Church. Additionally, she has served in various offices in the Winnsboro Woman's Club, Inquirendo Club, Crippled Children's Society and Friends of the Library, and is a charter member of the Winnsboro Choral Society.

Mrs. Matthews' interests include reading, jogging, and horseback riding. She and husband Pat live on their cattle farm near White Oak. They have two sons and two daughters.



Mr. Douglas

## Douglas Promoted

Frederick P. Douglas, vice-president of and Southern Bank of South Carolina has been assigned responsibility for management of Office Staff Support Auditor for South Carolina System Operation National Bank, has been named audit officer by the

Douglas, a WSCN board of directors. native, joined C&G as an auditor's career as a staff auditor. Since that time, he has served as a work manager of the consumer finance company, Provident Financial Corp. in Columbia in 1980. He was named trust Bookkeeping Auditor in 1982. Prior to joining SCN, Goode was a liquidation assistant for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. in Columbia. The Winnsboro native graduated from Winnsboro High School and earned a B.S. in business administration from Francis Marion College. Mr. Goode presently resides in Winnsboro.



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## Promoted By SCN

John M. Goode, trust auditor for South Carolina National Bank, has been named audit officer by the

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# Honored with Award



Mrs. Fifer

Gretchen Fifer, a speech/language pathologist with the Fairfield County School System, has earned a Continuing Education Award from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. In order to earn one of these awards a person must perform tasks other than his or her routine employment responsibilities. Some of these activities include participation in academic courses, workshops, independent course work and publication of scientific/clinical materials.

Mrs. Fifer is the first speech pathologist in Fairfield County to have earned this award.

She began employment in the district in 1969, and is a native of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. Mrs. Fifer received her undergraduate degree from

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## SCE&G Promotes Dixon

Osmond W. "Bubber" Dixon, a Winnsboro native, was recently promoted to senior vice president of nuclear power, construction and production engineering for South Carolina Electric and Gas Co. in Columbia.

Dixon joined SCE&G in 1957 as an electrical and instrument supervisor at McMeekin Station. He was vice president of nuclear operations prior to his most recent promotion. Dixon will oversee operations and support at the V.C. Summer Nuclear Station and engineering, construction and maintenance support for all fossil and hydro generating plants.

Dixon attended Furman University for two years prior to attending the U.S. Naval Academy where he graduated with distinction with a bachelors degree in engineering.

He is involved in several civic and professional organizations including the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the American Nuclear Society and is a member of the Atomic Industrial Forum's Steering Committee on Power Plant Design, Construction and Operation.



Mr. Carter

## Carter Joins SCN Bank

Jeffrey M. Carter has joined South Carolina National Bank in Hartsville as assistant vice-president and loan officer.

Prior to joining SCN, Carter was associated with a financial institution in Lexington.

Carter is a graduate of Winnsboro High School, and of Lander College with a B.S. degree in business administration. He is attending the South Carolina Bankers School in Columbia.

Carter is on the board of directors for the American Institute of Banking, and is a member of the Cayce/West Columbia Jaycees.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Zebb Carter of Winnsboro.

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Ray Duncan was named interim county administrator by the Fairfield County Council on Monday night. Mrs. Duncan, who has been with the county for six years, has been serving as personnel director.

Mrs. Duncan will fill the post vacated by Jay Lucas, who will be attending the University of South Carolina Law School, until a permanent administrator is named.

She is among about a dozen applicants for the permanent position.

## Addition to Wilkes Staff

Wilkes and Company, Certified Public Accountants, has welcomed Mary Clare Matthews to their professional staff.

Born and reared in Charlotte, N.C., Mrs. Matthews has lived in Fairfield County since her marriage to Patrick Matthews of White Oak. She received her bachelor of arts degree from Duke University. From 1978 to 1981, she did further study at the University of South Carolina in accounting and related subjects and passed the CPA exam in May, 1981.

During her twelve years at Richard Winn Academy, Mrs. Matthews

became known to many children and parents throughout the county as school secretary. She was also bookkeeper and assistant to the headmaster. Until recently, she was a member of the professional staff of McGladrey Hendrickson and Pullen, CPAs, in Columbia.

As a long-time resident of Winnsboro and White Oak, Mrs. Matthews has been active in many civic affairs. In addition to serving as president, treasurer, and various department chairmen of the Women of the Church at Bethel Associate Reformed Presbyterian

Church, she has also taught Sunday school and Bible school and sung in the choir. She has twice served on the executive board of Catawba Presbyterial of the ARP Church. Additionally, she has served in various offices in the Winnsboro Woman's Club, Inquirendo Club, Crippled Children's Society and Friends of the Library, and is a charter member of the Winnsboro Choral Society.

Mrs. Matthews' interests include reading, jogging, and horseback riding. She and husband Pat live on their cattle farm near White Oak. They have two sons and two daughters.



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Douglas, a Winnsboro native, joined C&S in 1970, as an auditor's assistant. Since that time, he has also served as a work analyst, as manager of the Columbia bookkeeping department, and as assistant vice-president of System Bookkeeping Operations. He was named vice-president in 1984.

He was graduated from the University of South Carolina in 1969, with a B.S. degree.

## Honored with Award



Mrs. Fifer

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THOMAS W. GLADDEN, JR.

## Gladden is Named Conservation Teacher

Thomas William (Tommy) Gladden, Jr. has been selected by the Fairfield Conservation District as Conservation Teacher of the Year in Fairfield County.

Gladden is the vocational agriculture teacher at Fairfield Vocational School. He will compete for the Conservation Teacher of the Year in the ten-county East Piedmont area association of conservation districts.

Gladden emphasizes to his students the importance of conserving soil and water resources. Among the conservation projects he has initiated are a drip-trickle irrigation system in the school's bedding plot, and at Fairfield Junior High, an irrigation system done by the students. Also, his forestry students planted two acres of pine trees.



Fairfield Garden Club celebrated its 45 years as an organization with a luncheon at Zion Presbyterian Church. Past presidents of the club were special guests. The honoree for the occasion was Mrs. W.W. Lewis, who was presented with a life membership in the South Carolina Garden Club and a silver bowl for her willing support of the club's activities. Betsy Wiggins, the new club president, made a few announcements to complete the social affair.



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## Native American heritage

Catawba Indian Val Green, left, and his wife, Cherokee Indian Audry Green, of West Columbia share Indian folklore and sign language with children attending the Southeastern Indians program at the

University of South Carolina's McKissick Museum this week. The program, which ends today, is one of seven four-day summer programs for children ages 8-12. The Indians program will be offered again July 15-18.



**WINN ANCESTOR** — George E. Winn, descendant of William Winn, brother of Richard and John Winn, paid a third visit to Winnsboro recently. Here he is pictured with Joe Cathcart, right, at Wynn Dee, circa 1871, built by Richard Winn.

While here, Mr. Winn, who lives in Phoenix, Arizona, also visited other places of historic interest. His unofficial "tour guide" was Mrs. Hannah Phillips, who snapped this picture.

Mr. Winn plans a return visit to Fairfield in the future.



**HONORED** — Bobby Cunningham was presented with a plaque last Thursday evening at a special service commemorating the March 28, 1984 tornados. The plaque is inscribed: "To Robert Cunningham in appreciation for outstanding service to Fairfield County, S.C. during the tornado on March 28, 1984". Cunningham was recognized for his quick response in mobilizing three volunteer fire departments and the Rescue Squad and coordinating rescue operations for those persons trapped by debris caused by the tornados. (Photo by Faye Johnson)

# She Won DAR History Award



**Caroline de Vlaming**

Caroline Eve deVlaming was the recipient of the second place state American History Essay Award presented by the South Carolina State Society Daughters of the American Revolution at the state conference on March 5-6, in Charleston.

The American History Essay Contest is promoted by the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution in the 5th through 8th grades of schools throughout the United States to encourage the study of American history by the youth of the country, and to create an interest in the heritage of the nation's past. The DAR chapters of each state sponsor the contests. The winning essay from the

local chapter is sent to the state chairman of American History for judging in the state competition. The first and second place winners are announced at the annual state convention. The state winning essay is then sent on to the regional division and then to the national division. The national winner is announced at Continental Congress in Washington, April 14-19 this year. This essay is printed in the October DAR magazine.

This year the Thomas Woodward Chapter DAR sponsored the American History Essay Contest in the 7th grade of Richard Winn Academy. It was conducted by the chapter's American History Chairman Mrs. Berry Arnette. Titles for the essay were "The Statue of Liberty - The Lady With A Lamp", or "The Contribution of Black Soldiers or Patriots During the American Revolution".

The winners were announced at the American-History Month meeting on February 26. Caroline deVlaming, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Ketchin III, was first place winner, and second place was awarded Charles Oliver (Bo) Williams III, son of Dr. and Mrs. C.O. Williams, Jr. Elliott

Nicholson, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John V. Nicholson, Jr., was the third place winner. Each chose the topic "The Statue of Liberty - The Lady With A Lamp".

Essays on "The Contributions of Black Soldiers or Patriots During the American Revolution" were submitted by Beth Douglas and Carla Lewis.

These essays will be on file and catalogued in the DAR Research and Reference Room in the Fairfield County Museum.

Mrs. Harold M. Renwick, Jr., regent of the Thomas Woodward Chapter, received the State Certificate of Award at the convention and will present it to Caroline at the chapter meeting on March 26.

## Broome Selected



**Mrs. Broome**

Mrs. Dargan D. Broome has been selected by the Extension Homemakers' Council of Fairfield County as the Extension Homemaker of the Year.

Mrs. Broome is president of the Extension Homemakers' Council, president of the Greenbrier Extension Homemakers Club, and past Council secretary. In July of 1981, she received a Gold Seal Award from Clemson University Cooperative Extension Service for volunteer service to Fairfield County.

Mrs. Broome also received a certificate of achievement for attending county leader training classes in 1983-84. She promoted the 50th anniversary of the South Carolina Association of Extension Home Economists with a window display in a local store of extension homemaker materials, invited home economists who had served Fairfield County in the past to attend the fall council meeting, wrote articles for the local paper about the anniversary celebration, and helped promote the extension homemakers' Christmas show.

Mrs. Broome is a member of the First United Methodist Church, where she is a dedicated worker. For over thirty years she served as coordinator of children's work and taught a class, and served as director of children's work in the Rock Hill District for four years. Shortly after retiring from children's work, she was made president of the Lucy Way Ladies Class. She also serves as health and welfare chairman on the council of ministries of the church. She is a member of the Mae C. Douglass Circle which she helped organize in the early 1950s.

The honoree is also a member of the Fairfield County Beautification and Community Improvement Committee, serving as chairman of the anti-litter committee. She organized the entire county with detailed assignments involving every citizen. She sent out publicity through letters, the county newspaper, and chaired a local television program emphasizing "war on litter" in Fairfield County.

She is a charter member of the Fairfield County Historical Society.

Mrs. Broome is the daughter of Mrs. Pattie T. Frick and the late Lawrence D. Frick of Blythewood. Mrs. Frick has been an extension homemaker club member for 59 years. Mrs. Broome and her husband live near Simpson, where they enjoy gardening and fishing and friends and family.

Mrs. Broome will compete with other club nominees from the Savannah District for state homemaker title.

### By Becky Wooten

Mrs. Ruth Weir of Winnsboro became aware of the importance of neighbors last month when one of hers took a special interest in her welfare.

"I usually call Mrs. Weir or go by her home every day," said neighbor Mrs. Linda Pullen, "but on that particular day I couldn't get anyone to answer the phone."

Mrs. Pullen has taken it upon herself to check on elderly neighbors. A mother of two who does not work outside the home, Mrs. Pullen says she is at home during the day and can keep up with her neighbors' schedules.

"I knew that Mrs. Weir might be at the doctor's or at the grocery store so I didn't get too concerned until nightfall," she explained.

When Mrs. Pullen walked over to the house and knocked on the door she noticed the screen was still latched and mail was in the box. She was then aware that something was different.

She called Mrs. Weir's daughter-in-law, who immediately brought over the key. When they entered the house they discovered that Mrs. Weir had fallen before daylight and had been unable to stand up and call for help.

Mrs. Weir is still hospitalized and is recovering from her fall. Mrs. Pullen doesn't feel like a heroine but a good neighbor. She hopes that in her senior years some neighbor will watch out for her.



**ROBERT BAILEY**, 14-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Bailey of Winnsboro, proudly displays his first deer, which was taken in Fairfield County. If Robert looks proud, he should be - his deer scored an unbelievable 150½ points on the Boone & Crockett scoring system. This could make it the largest white-tail deer ever recorded in Fairfield County and one of the tops in the state of South Carolina. (Photo by Coby Steven-

# The Browns and Donahue

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Live from New York it's "B" and Harvey Brown from Winnsboro...

That was the case several weeks ago when Winnsboro attorney Walter "B" Brown and his wife Harvey appeared on a live telecast of the Phil Donahue talk show one Tuesday morning.

Many local residents were amazed when they tuned into their morning television program and saw Mr. and Mrs. Brown sitting on the front row in Donahue's studio show.

Pulses raced even faster as the couple asked questions of the panelists Tom Brokaw of NBC and Peter Jennings of ABC.

"We had no idea the show would be aired live," explained Harvey Brown, "although we had gotten tickets several weeks ahead of our Memorial Day weekend trip we really thought the show was taped and we could watch ourselves on T.V. at some later date."

Arriving at the television studio at 7:15 a.m., the Browns were among the first ones to stand in line to enter the building. The show begins taping at 9 a.m. each weekday.

"I overheard a page tell someone that all the Tuesday shows were shown live," commented B. Brown. "I told my wife I had to call our mothers to make sure they saw us."

Even though the studio page warned Mr. Brown that there probably

was not enough time before the show for him to find a phone, make calls, and get back in line, the South Carolina native proved he could.

"He called my mother in Greenville, and Mrs. Brown here in Winnsboro. We also sent instructions to Beth Gaddy to video tape the thing so we could watch it," recounted Harvey.

The Browns did not know ahead of time who the panelist for the day would be. Upon arrival at the studio they were informed that Brokaw and Jennings would be on hand to discuss how news programs were put together and discuss how important the media is to the public. Dan Rather from CBS was invited to attend but failed to show up.

"We were both so impressed with the intelligence of all of these men. Donahue is a quick witted person. He really does such a good job getting the audience into the show," commented Mrs. Brown.

She said that just a few minutes prior to air time, Donahue took the microphone and held it very close to his mouth and whispered, "Gee, you all look so much thinner in person". The audience responded with laughter and a new sense of ease.

Mrs. Brown asked a question early on in the program and directed it to both network anchors inquiring how stories are chosen for national news.

"I was so nervous when I talked into Donahue's microphone the first

time," she admits.

However, before the hour-long program came to an end Mrs. Brown had asked another question as well as husband "B". Both of them made several comments regarding news-watching habits in their home.

One comment by attorney Brown was "we don't watch ABC news in our home," to which Peter Jennings replied, "this confronting the honest public is painful".

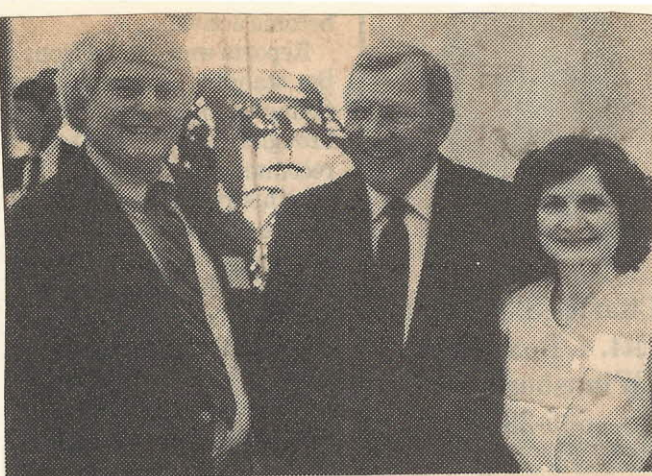
At the end of the show the audience was invited to come to the platform to meet the guests and ask any other questions. The Browns were again impressed with the genuineness and sincerity of both anchormen.

"I was curious to find out the ages of Peter Jennings' children because he said during the program that he had some young ones. He told me his kids were 3 and 5 years of age," Harvey said.

Because of the magic of video cassette recorders the Browns were able to see themselves on the show when they returned to Winnsboro. "We sounded very Southern," Mrs. Brown grins and admits.

Many people in the area just happened to catch the couple on their tubes as many calls came into the attorney's office that Tuesday morning to verify that what they were seeing on television was in fact happening.

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WITH PRESIDENT — Dr. Charles G. Williams, Winnsboro dentist and a member of the 1985 Board of Visitors, left, and Mrs. Williams meet with MUSC President James B. Edwards during a recent orientation meeting at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston.



MAYOR MCMASTER, MRS. CURTIS BOULWARE

## Realty Roundup

Congratulations to Martha and Ervin Renwick and family, Paige, Joe, and Matt on the acquisition of their new home at 202 Carlisle, formerly the Lyles residence.

Congratulations to Bob and Kathy Carrison on the acquisition of their new home at 100 Tupelo Lane, formerly the Renwick residence. Bob and Kathy are new to Winnsboro, moving from Columbia where they will continue their employment.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. W.D. Mitchell on the acquisition of their new home on West High Street Extension, formerly the Douglas home.

*Fairfield Properties*



OFFICER OF THE YEAR Lt. James Burroughs    EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR Loretta Smith    SECRETARY OF THE YEAR Tina Cunningham    FIREMAN OF THE YEAR Cecil Beasley

RECOGNIZED — Four people were presented with awards at the January 15 meeting of the Winnsboro Town Council. (Photos by Pam Lewis)



READY FOR GRAND OPENING — Zelma Dove, Dot Vandiford, Bobby Haygood and Jimmie Douglas of Winn Auto prepare for the grand opening at the new location on South Congress Street.

## Bolick's Nursery

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Spraying, Gutter Cleaning,  
Firewood.





Pictured above from left to right, are Bobby Haygood, chairman of the deacons at Stephen Greene Memorial Baptist Church, Mrs. Blackwelder and Rev. Blackwelder.

## Rev. Blackwelder Retires

The Rev. James P. Blackwelder, pastor of Stephen Greene Memorial Baptist Church in Winnsboro, has retired after serving twenty-six and a half years.

Says a church spokesperson, "We have grown spiritually, financially, and in numbers under his leadership; and love him

very much. We have an educational building, new parsonage, remodeled a building for pre-schoolers, purchased two vans, sponsored a mission which has grown into a full size church (Washington Street Baptist), and a number of other things. At the present we are giving 26% to the Cooperative Program."

The congregation presented Rev. Blackwelder with a plaque commemorating his years of service, a generous monetary love gift, and named a young men's Bible class for him.

Rev. and Mrs. Blackwelder will continue to reside in Winnsboro, and to be a part of Stephen Greene Church.



**40 YEAR AWARD** — Mildred Cherry receives a gold perpetual motion clock from Uniroyal Plant Manager J.L. McCabe. Miss Cherry, a spinner in the Spinning No. 2 Department, has been with the company 40 years. She is the 212th employee at the Winnsboro location to receive this type of recognition.



## Gold Clock Award

Letty Lee is pictured above being presented with a gold perpetual motion clock by J.L. McCabe, plant manager at Uniroyal's Winnsboro Plant.

Mrs. Lee is being recognized for her completion of 40 years of service with Uniroyal on January 22, and she is the 208th employee at this location to receive this type of recognition since the company's plan of long service awards began in 1954.

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## Douglas to quit DHEC board



**Douglas**

Dr. Leonard W. Douglas, senior member and vice chairman of the state Board of Health and Environmental Control, will resign effective Jan. 31.

Douglas said his elevation to the presidency of the South Carolina Medical Association and increasing demands of his family practice in Belton were the main factors in his decision. He will become SCMA president in April.

Douglas was appointed to the DHEC board in 1974.

He also has served on the state Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education and the state Board of Medical Examiners.



**Thomas Mattox**

Thomas H. Mattox, Jr., has joined Guardian Fidelity in the Winnsboro office as a management trainee.

He was previously a manager at B&G Food Services, Inc. and has also been an assistant plant engineer for Clemson Fabricating, a division of J.P. Stevens & Co.

Mattox is a 1982 graduate of Winthrop College, where he received his B.S. degree in business administration. He has received a presidential citation for work on the Board of Trustees at Win-

throp College, the Distinguished Service Award and was voted an Outstanding Member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, and in 1976, was Boy Scout of the Year in South Carolina.

## Rotarian Phillips Honored

At a recent gathering of Winnsboro Rotarians and their wives, member H.G. Phillips, Jr., was honored by his children with the presentation of the Paul Harris Sustaining Fellowship.

Having been a Rotarian for 30 years, Phillips has served in various leadership capacities in the service organization including president in 1972-73.

His son, Grady Phillips, who has participated in Rotary since 1977, is currently serving as

president. Grady Phillips and his three sisters, Jane, Helen and Hannah, jointly contributed money to the Rotary Foundation in their father's honor.

The Paul Harris Award is named after the founder of Rotary. The fellowship was begun in his name some 80 years ago in efforts to raise money for charitable and educational programs.

"Two local projects which directly benefit from Paul Harris Award funds include scholarships for college students and

the financial support of Boy Scout Troop No. 49," Grady Phillips explained.

H.G. Phillips, Jr., is the owner of Phillips Granite Company. His father, H.G. Phillips, Sr., was founder of the local company, and was also a Rotarian.

This award was bestowed on Phillips at the annual Rotary Ladies' Night held this year in April at the Fairfield Electric Cooperative.

More than 120 Rotarians and their wives were in attendance.

Speaker for the evening

was Chilton Eillett of Chapin, who talked on his firearms and ammunition business.

Said President Grady Phillips, "My sisters and I chose to honor our father with this award because of his loving dedication to his family and his 30 years of dedication to Rotary."

Modestly accepting the praise for his accomplishments within this service club was H.G. "Phil" Phillips, a man visible in many areas of leadership in Fairfield County.



Richard Johnson, local manager of General Telephone Company, presents Mary A. Lyles with an engraved silver tray upon her retirement on January 22, after 26 years in the Winnsboro office. A steak dinner at the Grey Stone Restaurant highlighted the occasion and was enjoyed by the honoree and her co-workers. Miss Lyles began her career with GTE on February 23, 1959. Said Johnson: "Her dedication and loyalty to the company has certainly been appreciated".

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**WARMTH AT CHRISTMAS** — Fairfield Motor Parts, a part of McMaster Enterprises, has donated a stove to the Fairfield County Woodyard Fund. Charles Medlin of the Woodyard Fund says the stove will go to a family whose home was damaged by the 1984 tornados. Pictured above from left to right, are Mr. Medlin; and FMP employees Michael Childers, Debbie Gibson, Sam Sanders, Billy Lambert, and Jeff Douglas.



Jeff Amberg/The State

**Ten Best Dressed chosen**

The Ten Best Dressed Women in 1985 fashion show/luncheon was held Tuesday at the Woman's Club of Columbia to benefit the Midlands Chapter, March of Dimes. The event was sponsored by JB White, Happy Cookers Caterers and the Woman's Club. Chosen as the Ten Best Dressed were, seated, left to right, Mrs. Crosby Lewis of Winnsboro; Mrs. Steven

Caughtman of Lexington; Mrs. James B. Holderman, USC first lady, Columbia; and Miss Kay Mitchell of Lexington. Also, standing, left to right, are Mrs. Donald S. Russell Jr., Ms. Judy L. Jones, Mrs. J. Hugh Ryall, Mrs. Donald E. Saunders Jr., and Mrs. Benjamin O. Stands, all of Columbia; and Mrs. Charles R. Ingram of Chapin.



**MR. AND MRS. GEORGE BRICE**

**Honored for Service**

George Brice, formerly of Winnsboro, and his wife Judy were recently honored by the First Baptist Church for their twenty years of service in the foreign mission field in Recife, Brazil. Mr. and Mrs. Brice are the parents of four children and one grandchild. Rev. Brice is the son of Mrs. Lillie Brice of Winnsboro and the late Riley Brice. The church presented the missionary couple with a Seth Thomas clock, representing the time they have given in God's service.



**Mr. Vanvick**

**Named**

Scott C. Vanvick has been named Sertoman of the Year for 1984-85 for the Pioneer District of upper South Carolina. Mr. Vanvick is married to the former Helen Phillips of Winnsboro.



**Miss King**

**SCN Names Miss King**

Kimberly D. King has been named asset management account officer for South Carolina National Bank's Hilton Head office by the SCN board of directors.

Ms. King joined First National Bank in 1983 as a management trainee in Columbia. She worked there as an administrative assistant until November 1984, when she moved to Hilton Head prior to SCN's merger with First National.

The Winnsboro native graduated from Winnsboro High School and attended Clemson University. She earned a B.S. in business administration from the University of South Carolina. She is a former member of Women in Business.

Ms. King is the daughter of Bert King of Winnsboro and the late Mrs. King.



**ART EXHIBIT** — Local financial institutions donated the cash awards won by students in the WHS Student Art Exhibit at the Museum. Representing the donors are, left to right, Steve Brakefield, Southern Bank & Trust; Alan Pullen, Community Federal; Becky Lambert, Bank of Fairfield; and Kathy Fritz, museum curator, and WHS Art Teacher Bob Kinard. Also donating were Security Finance, Guardian Fidelity, and Bank of Ridgeway. (Photo by Pam Lewis)

**Levy Elected**

Molly Levy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melton Levy of Winnsboro, has been elected president of Dexter Dormitory for the 1985-86 academic year at Converse College. Installation ceremonies will be held March 28.

Molly, a sophomore at Converse, was recently visited by her mother for the annual Sophomore Mothers' Weekend.

The mothers shared their daughters' dorm rooms for the entertaining and educational weekend. Activities included a wine and cheese reception, presentations by Converse



**Molly Levy**

administrators and faculty, campus tours, debates, a banquet and a pajama party.

# John Spurlock Receives a Long-Overdue Award from His Country

By Cathryn W. Kennedy

There is a saying that some good will always come out of something bad. A Lake Wateree resident recently had the opportunity to discover the truth of this saying. For if John Spurlock's house hadn't burned down, he might never have received a long overdue reward.

When Staff Sergeant John Spurlock was discharged from the infantry in 1945, he received two decorations. Unfortunately, these were destroyed in a house fire last year. Accordingly, John wrote to the army to have the medals replaced. After checking his record, the army discovered that John should have received eight other medals, and sent seven to him with the promise that he would shortly receive the other three. John is just not sure of the names of those three, since "forty years ago is a long time," he says.

John is proudest of his Bronze Star, which he received for a beach landing at Le Havre, France; he won the Purple Heart for wounds suffered as a Nazi prisoner-of-war; and has been decorated with the World War II Medal, and the American Defense Medal, which he received for service during the unlimited emergency proclaimed by the president on May 27, 1941. He also received medals for taking part in the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign, the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign, and the American Campaign, for service in Latin America.

Born in Oconee County, John spent most of his pre-war years in Batesburg. When rumors of war were flying, he decided to volunteer for the armed services. It was just before the draft was begun, and John remembers, "I couldn't wait to get

in...then I couldn't wait to get out". Why did he volunteer? John says he wanted to protect his country and have a little adventure. As it turned out, he had more than enough adventure to last a lifetime. And, as with other POWs and veterans, John has never talked much about his war experience. "It took me a good while to get over it, get it off my mind," he relates.

John will always remember 1944 as both the most wonderful and most horrible year of his life. Home on a twenty-day leave, he met and fell in love with Carrie Hall of Gilbert. He courted Carrie during his leave, and when he returned to base in Texas wrote to her, asking Carrie to come out to Texas to get married. And she did.

After a two-week honeymoon, John was shipped overseas. The newlyweds were able to exchange only two or three letters before John was captured in the Battle of the Bulge in Belgium, along with the entire Third Army. The war department notified Carrie that her husband was missing in action and presumed dead. But Carrie refused to give up hope. "I always felt he was still alive," she says. Her love and faith were a great comfort to John's mother, whom Carrie visited regularly during those anxious months.

In the meantime, John's nightmare had begun. After his capture, the Nazis force-marched John, along with the other prisoners, some three or four hundred miles across Germany to a railway station. John recalls that he made the trip on one half-rotten rutabaga picked up from someone's field, for the Germans did not feed the prisoners during the march. At the railway station the prisoners were loaded into boxcars like cattle, about sixty men to a car.

Although the men could neither sit nor stand they were never let out of the cars, even when the boxcars were shunted onto a sidetrack for a layover period. It was during that time, however, that an air raid was sounded. Terrified, the prisoners broke out of the cars and ran for cover. John and about seven others dove into a foxhole in a nearby embankment just before a bomb exploded above their heads, burying them under a mound of dirt. Fellow soldiers who dug him out told John that the other men had been killed; only he had survived.

After spending about two weeks in a hospital, John was shipped to Stalag 13 in Nurnberg on December 16, 1944, where he spent the remainder of his imprisonment until his escape shortly before the end of the war in 1945. He is not sure how he managed to stay alive since the Nazis indiscriminately killed many captured Americans after marching them through the countryside to give the German people the impression that Germany was winning the war, even in those final months. John thinks he was just lucky.

In prison John had no way to take a bath, so he had to put up with body lice. There was not much food. "I ate stuff that looked like crabgrass or Bermuda grass just boiled in water," John remembers. His weight dropped from a strapping 242 lbs. to 98 lbs.

Eventually, prison security became lax as the war was drawing to a close. As the Russian Army swept through Germany, many German soldiers deserted their posts and tried to reach the American front in order to avoid being captured by the Russians. As a result, John and three other men were able to escape. They "...just walked off into the woods and

kept going," one afternoon at four o'clock, while out on a work detail. John says that they had talked about escaping and had decided if they ever got the chance, they'd go.

After their escape, John and his buddies traveled on foot for about 200 miles before the Russian Army caught up with them. Then they were able to secure a wagon and two horses, and followed the Russian Army to the American lines. They were helped by civilians all along the way.

When John arrived in the United States, he sent a telegram to his wife, telling her to expect him home in a few days. However, he reached home before the telegram. After not hearing from John for so long and not really knowing whether he was alive or dead, Carrie was taken completely by surprise.

It has been a long time since that day in 1945. John occasionally sees a buddy from basic training. He missed his company reunion at Ft. Jackson when he was hospitalized for an operation, and has lost the names and addresses of his buddies who escaped with him. John says he would love to get in touch with them again. He subscribes to POW magazine and the Ex-POW Bulletin, hoping to come across some familiar names. He also attends POW meetings, which Carrie considers good therapy.

John is a retired mill worker. Together, he and Carrie have raised three girls, Diane, Phyllis, and Daphney, and three boys, Jereld, Randy, and Mike, whom they lost to a brain tumor when he was twelve years old. Eight grandsons and two granddaughters round out their family.

"We've got a lot to be thankful for," says John. "We all pull together and help one another. With our help and the good Lord's help, I reckon we'll make it."



Proud and happy World War II veteran John Spurlock displays medals, some of which he received forty years after the war. (Photo by Pam Lewis)

## Parsons' parents hire her a private attorney

The parents of former University of South Carolina basketball coach Pam Parsons have hired a Columbia attorney to represent their daughter, who in November pleaded guilty to perjury.

John Mason, a former Richland County judge, said: "Her mother and father were worried about her and have retained private counsel to advise her. We are still reviewing the record of the case and will meet later to discuss our options."

Ms. Parsons and former USC basket-

ball player Tina Buck pleaded guilty to charges of lying in federal court during the trial of Parson's \$75 million libel lawsuit against Time Inc.

The former coach claimed that a Time publication, *Sports Illustrated*, defamed her in an article that said she ran a corrupt program, recruited with sex in mind and had an affair with a player.

The U.S. attorney's office in October charged Ms. Parsons and Ms. Buck with perjury after an investigation indicated

the two were lying when they testified that they had not been in a gay bar in Utah.

Ms. Parsons and Ms. Buck face a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a \$10,000 fine. No sentencing date has been set.

The women told U.S. District Judge Clyde Hamilton when they pleaded guilty that they did not want to have lawyers assigned to them.

But in December, Ms. Buck said she and Ms. Parsons were considering

withdrawing their guilty pleas and had accepted court-appointed attorneys.

Columbia lawyer J. Edward "Punky" Holler was appointed to represent Ms. Buck and federal Assistant Public Defender John Hardaway was appointed to represent Ms. Parsons.

Mason said he couldn't comment on whether Ms. Parsons would try to withdraw her guilty plea, saying that he still was studying the case.

# On the Rise

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JEFF FLANDERS AND GERTROOD

## B&PW Holds Contest

The Winnsboro Business and Professional Women's Club announces that once again this year, Jeff Flanders and his companion, Gertrood da Duck, will act as master (and mistress?) of ceremonies for the third annual Tiny Tots Contest. Flanders is presently a crime prevention/public relations specialist with Lexington County Sheriff's



Tommy Varnadore

Thomas W. Varnadore, son of Hattie Varnadore of Winnsboro and Clyde Varnadore of Ridgeway, is currently starring in "Minnie's Boys", a musical comedy tracing the Marx Brothers' rise to fame, at the Sheraton Showplace Dinner Theatre in Vero Beach, Florida. The show opened May 7, to critical and public acclaim and will run for five weeks.

Tommy has been employed in Vero since December 1984, and has been in four shows since then. He appeared as a featured performer in "Cole!", a musical about the life of Cole Porter. The musical review was so popular it was held over for four extra weeks. The Miami Herald reviewed the show, labeled it a success, and put Tommy's picture above its review.

Next, Varnadore appeared as King Phillip of France in the historical comedy "The Lion in Win-

ter", which enjoyed a six-week run.

A musical, "Barnum", was the Sheraton's next venture. Tommy appeared in six different roles which he says was a real challenge, both making each character different and changing costumes in time for the upcoming scene.

In "Minnie's Boys", Tommy appears as Chico, the zany Marx Brother who used an Italian accent. Tommy acts, sings and dances in the show.

Tommy, a Pine Tree Players' veteran, says the biggest difference between acting professionally and doing community theatre is the rehearsal period. Shows at the Sheraton are rehearsed for only ten days before they go before the public. Another change is the length of the actual performance. His shows run five or six days a week as long as six to eight weeks.

This Winnsboro native says he really owes his hometown folks many thanks for what he learned here. "Mrs. Nelle Mc-Master Sprott really put a love of singing and performing in me very early in grammar school, and it remains strong today," he says. Tommy also commented that he appreciates the help he received from the Pine Tree Players, and from Mary Lynn Kinley at Gordon Memorial, and Laurens Livings, who instructed Tommy in voice a few years ago.



Bobby Stokes

## In Talented Program

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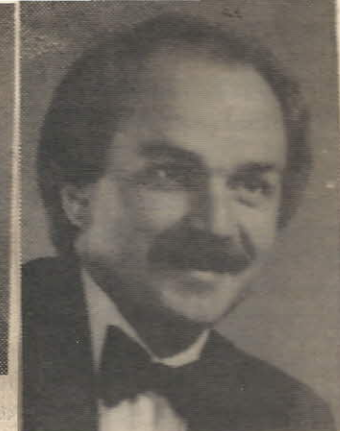
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Bobby Stokes, 14, of Anchorage, Alaska, began participation June 23, in a Johns Hopkins University Center for the Advancement of Academically Talented Youth, at Franklin Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa.

CTY identifies highly able adolescents through its regional, national and international talent searches. The talent search identification process relies on standardized tests, particularly the College Board's Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT). Seventh or eighth grade students scoring at least as well as the average college-bound high school senior on the SAT are eligible for CTY's summer programs.

Bobby will be studying pre-calculus mathematics and fast-paced physics without calculus. One goal of the program is to enable academically talented youths to enter college at the typical age, but with advanced standing. At present, Bobby hopes to pursue a career in aerospace engineering. The son of Robert C. Stokes, Jr., and Elizabeth Leitner Stokes of Anchorage, Bobby's grandparents are Mrs. Irene L. (Walker) Leitner of Winnsboro, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Stokes of Bethune.

Upon completion of the program on August 6, Bobby will join his family in Winnsboro and Bethune for a family visit before returning to begin 9th grade at West High School in Anchorage.



Gary Franklin Bass

## Beach Music is Game

"Shagging in my bones", or "let me shag with you" could possibly sum up the feelings of over 300 people who recently gathered at Beau's in the Columbia Inn in Columbia.

It was the celebration of the first anniversary of the shag as the state dance for South Carolina. Those present came from as far away as Charleston and Greenville. Also present were several members of the General Assembly, who, along with others, listened and danced to the sounds of the Grand Strand that reminded everyone of the carefree days of dancing and romance.

Selected to provide the music for the occasion was one who's name is often associated with beach music, Gary F. Bass, III, a Winnsboro native now living in Sunset Beach, N.C. Gary Franklin kept the dance floor full from the beginning to the end. Old standard beach music tunes such as "My Girl", "Sixty Minute Man", and hardcore sounds such as "Happy Birthday Blues" and "It Started with a Kiss" were played.

In addition to the adults having fun, the occasion was brightened by the appearance of the Junior Shaggers, a group of children from the ages of 8-12, who perform around the Carolinas. The money derived from their performances is sent to Camp Kemo, a camp for children with cancer and cancer-related diseases. Because of his work with the Junior Shaggers and Camp Kemo, Gary Franklin was presented a lifetime membership in the Junior Shaggers Association.

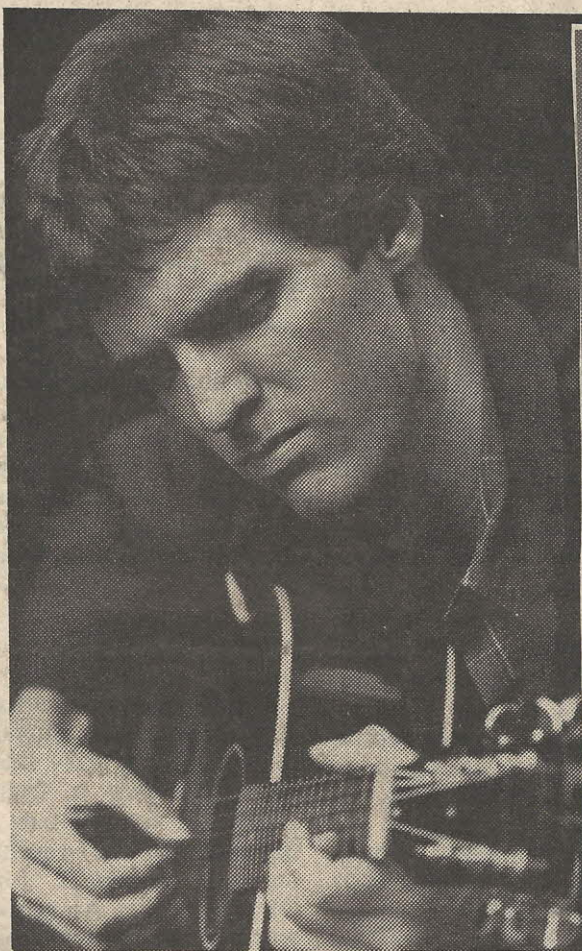
For those planning trips to the Grand Strand this summer, Gary extends an invitation to visit him at Harold's Across The Street next to The Pad in downtown Ocean Drive.

## Nazarene Harvest Festival Slate

Winnsboro's First Church of the Nazarene on Ninth Street will hold its annual Harvest Festival in the church gymnasium on Saturday, November 9, from 5:30 to 9 p.m.

Winnsboro's own Vollie McKenzie will return to provide music for the festival. Vollie began playing professionally in 1973. His performing began in Columbia, as a member of the "Apple Ensemble", a folk duo. During the past year, Vollie has made the transition to solo performing. His music career includes over 500 performances, throughout the Southeastern states. McKenzie is both versatile and fluid on the acoustic guitar and uses the harmonica tastefully to fill out his solo sound. Instrumentally, he has expanded in recent years to provide an occasional tune on the piano, autoharp or mandolin.

Other features included in the harvest festival will be games for children, display booths which include antiques, ceramics,



VOLLIE MCKENZIE TO PERFORM HERE

baked goods, flowers, handicrafts, cannery and handmade toys. The youth department will sell hot

dogs and drinks.

Admission is free and the public is invited to attend.



STAR GAZING — That handsome man on the left may look familiar, especially to fans of "The Wild, Wild West", and "Baa Baa Black Sheep". He is actor Robert Conrad, who played the lead in both television series. The good-looking young fellow on the right might also be familiar; he's Tommy Varnadore, a Winnsboro native who has been appearing in "Barnum" at the Vero Beach (Fla.) Sheraton Showplace Theatre. Conrad and his wife came to see the play and stayed to offer advice to the actors. He promised to return for "Minnie's Boys", in which Varnadore will play Chico Marx of the famous Marx Brothers.

# Names in the News

## David Nelson

David C. Nelson, vice-president of Rachlin Furniture of Carolina, Inc., at Winnsboro, has been appointed a shipper advisor to the National Maritime Council.

The Council is an association of shippers, maritime labor, and American-flag shipping lines. The association sponsors quarterly programs in its five geographic regions on trade and transportation subjects of concern to its members.

## Tommy Gladden

Tommy Gladden, agricultural education consultant for the State Department of Education, joined approximately 500 agricultural educators attending the American Vocational Association National Convention in Atlanta December 6-10.

Gladden currently serves as president of the S.C. Vocational Agricultural Teachers Association, and he served as a member of the Resolutions Committee

during the convention.

## Charles Ayers

Charles Ayers, son of Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Ayers of Winnsboro, and a senior at Clemson, has been selected for inclusion in the 1986 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*.

Ayers was recognized for his outstanding academic achievement and leadership.

## Lambert Wilkes

Lambert H. Wilkes, professor of agricultural engineering at Texas A&M University, is the first recipient of the Mayfield Cotton Engineering Award presented by the American Society of Agricultural Engineers.

Wilkes, a Fairfield native, received this award for his superior research contributions to seed cotton handling technology and his equally outstanding contributions to the cotton industry by teaching, counselling, and motivating young people.

## Dr. Wooten

James Grant Wooten, pastor of First Baptist Church of Winnsboro, received the doctor of ministry degree from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary during the school's 156th commencement December 20.

Dr. Wooten holds a previous degree from the University of South Carolina.

## Marilyn Elaine Kelly

Among those graduating December 16, from Francis Marion College, was Marilyn Elaine Kelly of Ridgeway.

Miss Kelly received a master of education in elementary education-general.



Providing musical selections for the Pine Tree Players' production of "A Celebration of Christmas" are, back row, left to right, Hennies Pope, Marion Pope, Erwin Renwick, and Gunnar Rambo; front row, left to right, Carolyn Robinson, Becky Pope, Kerry Mathews, and Pam Rambo. (H-I Photos)

## Steele Retires from International Paper Co.

Joseph "Joe" Steele retired from International Paper Company July 1, after having been with the company 29½ years. A group of fellow retirees in the Winnsboro area joined company personnel in a social in Mr. Steele's honor on July 12.

Steele, a 1956 forestry

graduate from the University of Georgia, joined International Paper in 1956

as a procurement forester in Camden. He assumed increasing responsibilities

in the S.C. Piedmont operations of IP, as well as

IP's Tree Improvement Program in Georgetown.

He returned to Winnsboro in 1973. At the time of his retirement, he was administering IP's Landowner Assistance Program in the S.C. Piedmont, as well as assisting in the development and implementation of the company's new computerized woodyard communication system.

Steele and his wife Lucy have recently moved to Bratton Street in Winnsboro. Mrs. Steele teaches at Gordon Elementary School. Mr. Steele plans to remain active in the Winnsboro Town Council, of

which he is a member, the Bethel ARP Church's board of deacons, Rotary, and as the Fairfield County Council's appointee to the Governor's Advisory Private Industry Council.

The Steeles have a daughter and two sons; Ann recently graduated from the University of South Carolina, majoring in political science and English; Marcus is a rising senior at USC in business; and Eric is a rising sophomore at Clemson in business. A third son, James Marvin Jennings, Jr., is deceased.



Gary F. Bass, Sr. presents a Remington 1100 shotgun, won in a drawing, to Jackie McGuirt of Ridgeway. A drawing was held by the Fairfield Shrine

Club to raise funds for the club and the Shriners' Crippled Children's Hospital in Greenville, and Jackie was the lucky winner.



## FJH Sweetheart - 1985

Kristin Hoffman was crowned "Miss Sweetheart" of Fairfield Junior High School on February 15, at a dance sponsored by the faculty and the Beta Club.

Kristi is the daughter of Mrs. Patricia Peake of Ridgeway and J.E. Hoffman of West Columbia. She is a ninth grade student. Her escort was Dale Branham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Branham of Ridgeway.



CONNIE HINRICHS



PATRICIA WILLINGHAM

## Lee Teacher of Year 26



CLEVELAND LEE

mark. He did graduate study at the University of South Carolina where he received certification in elementary education and diversified vocational education. He has also done graduate study at Winthrop College, Rock Hill, where he received certification in middle school science and earth science. Lee is currently enrolled in the M.A. degree program at Winthrop.

Cleveland holds memberships in various educational and civic organizations. He is a member of the National Science Teachers Association, the Superintendent's Advisory Council, the State Department of Education's Research Team, the South Winnsboro Volunteer Fire Department, and Voorhees College Alumni Association. He has also served the U.S. Army and the South Carolina National Guard. Lee is former coordinator for student placement in vocational education (Fairfield Vocational Center) and the former director for the ESAA (Emergency School Aid Act) Project for Fairfield County Schools.

Lee is a member of St. Philip Episcopal Church in Denmark. He is married to the former Bernice Woodard of Blair, and they have four children.

Cleveland B. Lee, an earth science teacher at Fairfield Junior High School, has been selected as the district's 1985 Teacher of the Year. A native of Conway, he is beginning his 18th year with the district.

Lee received his undergraduate degree from Voorhees College, Den-

## Writing Contest Winners

Connie Hinrichs and Patricia Willingham have been chosen as the Fairfield County School District's winners in the Lieutenant Governor's Writing Contest. Connie won in the 5th grade division and Patricia in the 8th grade division.

Each year, this contest is sponsored by the state's lieutenant governor; compositions are judged on grammar and usage, expression and creativity, and writing process and development of ideas. This year the 5th graders wrote on the theme "Once Upon A Time...". Connie inserted "...I Was A Stop Sign". The 8th graders had a choice of five themes. Patricia chose "..... is the Greatest Resource in the Palmetto State". She inserted soil as her subject.

Connie is the daughter of Charlotte and Craig Hinrichs. She attends Everett Community School and is in Sharon Gray's room. Her favorite subject is math and she made all

A's on her report card for the past nine weeks. Her hobbies are swimming, roller skating, and climbing trees. She has two brothers and one sister. Connie would like to be a pediatrician when she grows up.

Patricia is the daughter of James and Ada Willingham and she attends McCrorey-Liston

High School where her English teacher is Ms. Cobb. She is a member of the Math Counts team and the Newsletter Club. Her hobbies are writing, reading, and playing musical instruments. Her favorite subjects are English and math. She entered the contest because she was her school's winner in fifth grade and she

wanted to try for the district honor. Patricia has four sisters and three brothers.

Individual school winners were Joyce Crosby of McCrorey-Liston Elementary; Matthew Miner of Kelly Miller; Micheal Branham of Geiger, all 5th graders; and Sandi Feaster of Fairfield Junior High School.



**RWA GRADUATES** — Twenty-nine seniors will be awarded high school diplomas during the commencement exercises Monday, May 27, in the Richard Winn Academy gymnasium at 8 p.m. The commencement service will be at the Bethel Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church at 7 p.m., Sunday, May 26. Candidates for diplomas are pictured above, from left to right: front row, Marion Bass, Brooks Trakas, Robert Whitesides, Ryan Robertson, Jimmy Bagley. Middle row, Cristin Williams, Julie Weed, Shannon Bell,

Melissa Weed, Karen Collins, Mac Ruff, Liz Black, Becky Coley, Judy Fetner, Cheryl Stevenson, Sharon Smith, Laura Thomas. Back row, Robert Stidham, Brett Witt, Hugh Stone, Billy Hobbs, Jena Barnett, Kerry Colvin, Ruth Anne Doty, Joel Crosby, Peter Rambo, Britt Cathcart, Stewart T. Melton. Not pictured is Rhonda Gardner.

The six top-ranked juniors who will serve as marshals for these commencement exercises are Scott Barefield, Frances Anne Hendrix, Ben Hinson, Jay Ayers, Robert Moore and Chris Gaddy.

# Hannah Phillips Spent Time in Austria, Brought Back Friend for Fairfield

By Becky Wooten

After spending a month this summer as a Rotary exchange student in Austria, sixteen-year-old Hannah Phillips brought home a very special "souvenir".

Flying back to the States with Miss Phillips was a member of the family she boarded with during her visit, eighteen-year-old Axel Wech. A tall, slender, blue-eyed blonde, Axel is also in the Rotary exchange program.

The local chapter of the Rotary Service Club has sponsored four students over the last two years. Two teens have been sent to European countries and two European students have been hosted in Winnsboro.

The Rotary exchange program is open to students generally between the ages of 15 and 19 from both Rotarian and non-Rotarian families. Applicants are selected by a sponsoring Rotary club on the basis of a written application and a personal interview.

Although the student's room and board is provided by the host family, the exchangees must pay for their transportation, clothing, health insurance, and incidental expenses.

Axel's month in Winnsboro was completed last week, and he felt the same way about returning to Austria that Hannah did when she had to return to Winnsboro.

"I'd like to stay longer," Axel quips with his heavy German accent.

"There were so many things left to do over there, I didn't want to come back home either," Hannah admits.

From a long line of Rotarians, Hannah is the granddaughter of one of the founders of the local chapter, Herman G. Phillips. Her father, H.G. "Phil" Phillips, Jr., has served in the Rotary for many years in various capacities and was recently honored with the Paul Harris Award. Hannah's brother, Grady, is the immediate chapter past president.

Axel's father is not a member of Rotary in his hometown of Klagenfurt. A retired physician, he has shown slides and presented programs on many occasions to the Rotarians regarding his work as an Austrian army doctor and his involvement with medicine in the Congo, Iran, and Cyprus.

While Hannah and Axel immediately discovered that teenagers are alike in many ways despite nationalities, they both identified differences as well.

"The three questions I got the most often in Austria were, 'explain the drug problem in the U.S., the racial discrimination, and the school system',", Hannah stated. She explained that while many teenagers smoke and while there is no age limit for purchasing alcoholic beverages in Austria, the teenagers do not get drunk and drugs are not prevalent.

"I like the motorcycles, especially the Harley-Davidsons," Axel commented, "in Austria you cannot

drive anything larger than a moped until you are 18." Axel firmly believes that teenage girls in America are prettier. However, he thinks that Americans in general are more modest.

"The beaches in Austria, around the lakes, are commonly topless," Miss Phillips said. "Little children think nothing of running around on the shore with no clothes."

While a guest in the Wech home, Hannah was treated to many trips around the historic land of Austria, visiting museums, ski resorts, and an amusement park which she described as small compared to American standards.

"The teens over there do many things in groups. They have to walk everywhere because no one has a license. They walk from cafe to cafe at night and visit discos to dance," she observed.

Having been a part of the Pine Tree Players' 1983 production of "The Sound of Music", Hannah was especially interested to see where part of the movie with Julie Andrews was filmed.

"I was amazed to find out that no one in Austria had ever heard of the movie, 'The Sound of Music'. When I asked them where the cathedral and home of the Von Trapps were, they looked at me like I was crazy," Hannah recalled.

She was able to prove her point while visiting in the city of Salzburg. She found a postcard with a photo of

the home and a back-of-card description. She toured the catacombs where the Von Trapps hid from the Nazis.

"I loved Salzburg, it is a beautiful city. I really enjoyed it more than the capital city of Vienna," she continued. "Every castle and cathedral over there is hundreds of years old. I got an appreciation for how young America is."

Enroute to Austria, Hannah stopped in Germany to spend a few days with former Winnsboro residents, Roy and Sally West.

The Wests, with their two teenage sons, David and Brad, took Hannah into France and entertained their guest on a Rhine River cruise.

Formerly with the Fairfield Recreation Commission, West has served the last six years in a similar capacity on an Army base near Pirmasens, West Germany.

Axel's visit to America has been just as fast paced as Hannah's was in Austria. He's been taken to the Blue Ridge Mountains. He's been to Charleston to see the sights. And he's experienced some new sports while in town.

Having beaten everyone he's played against in tennis locally, Axel has tried his hand at golf, raquetball, and sailing. "I also like the Music Television on cable," said the fellow who hails from the land that produced the likes of Mozart and Schubert.

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**STUDENTS involved in the Rotary Exchange Program, Axel Wech and Hannah Phillips, think that teenagers are basically the same everywhere. Miss Phillips stayed in the Wech home in Austria for a month. Axel has just returned home after a month's visit with the Phillips family. (Photo by Becky Wooten)**

## Saunders Gets Scholarship

CLINTON—Barbara Lamar Saunders of Winnsboro has received a Henry and Blanche Shaw Fine Arts Scholarship at Presbyterian College for the 1985-86 school year.

The daughter of Mrs. Barbara W. Saunders, she is a junior working toward her B.A. degree with a major in Music.

Dr. Kenneth B. Orr, president of Presbyterian College, pointed out that it is a distinct honor to receive a Henry and Blanche Shaw Fine Arts Scholarship because this scholarship is awarded with special care to "the junior or senior fine arts music major who combines talent, academic merit and extracurricular interests

which indicate a future contribution to the field of art, drama or music."

Presbyterian College was founded in 1880 and now ranks among the distinguished private colleges of the South. It has enrolled for its 1985-86 session a near-record 931 students, composed of 534 men and 397 women. This year's freshman class of 259 was drawn selectively from a pool of almost 1,000 applicants.

## ✓ Austria

Fluent in four languages, Axel began studying English while in the fifth grade. Yet his courses didn't cover all the slang words and phrases of the English language and he's queried over such statements as "getting my ducks in a row," "just hanging on", and "you're a stick in the mud".

While Hannah will never forget the "eis" she ate in Austria, which she says is a delicious ice cream, Axel stated that he enjoyed the "hamburgers, Pepsis, and casseroles" he ate here. While he didn't care for the Southerners' iced tea, he did find out that hushpuppies tasted good, even though at first glance on the menu he inquired if real dogs were served.

Besides bringing Axel home as a souvenir, Hannah also brought back clothes, a watch, and a bottle of wine from the Austrian vineyards. She said she tried to find a Swiss watch

to purchase but could only locate a Japanese-made one.

Axel will return to Austria with a pair of cowboy boots and a gift for his mother. Since the only shopping mall in Austria is in Vienna, Axel liked the closeness and largeness of the malls in Columbia.

Both teens will have a photo album full of snapshots taken during their visit.

Hannah says Austria is just as beautiful geographically as its reputation. The snow-covered mountains and crystal clear lakes made impressions on her. Axel says Southern Italy is also pretty. He would list traveling as a hobby and has been to more than ten European nations on vacations.

"It is written in a state treaty that our country will have no nuclear weapons," Axel stated in response to a question about his country's close

proximity to Russia. "Every young man must serve in our military."

In his future, Axel said he may become an attache for a bank. He thinks he would like to spend the rest of his life traveling to as many countries as possible.

Both Hannah and Axel declared that their lives are much richer for the exposure to another culture. And while both of them like Bruce Springsteen records and Harley-Davidsons, Hannah prefers her cornflakes at breakfast to hard rolls and dark coffee, and Axel prefers an Austrian wine to iced tea, and ice hockey to football.

There are subtle differences in their cultures and upbringing. But the basic goal of the Rotarians is to achieve world peace through understanding. Axel and Hannah took steps in a world peacemaking direction with their exchange visits.

# Haigler Graduates

College on May 4. Miss Haigler received a bachelor's degree in history.

She is the maternal granddaughter of Mrs. Robert (Bob) Lauderdale Lemmon of Fairfield's Hillcrest Community and the late Mr. Lemmon. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde F. Strom (nee Vennie Lee Moseley Haigler, formerly of Winnsboro) of Graniteville are her paternal grandparents.

Miss Haigler was honored on May 5, with a drop-in at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Haigler in Columbia.

A highlight of the refreshments was a graduation cake featuring a koala bear wearing a graduation cap. Approximately 100 guests dropped during the afternoon.



Miss Haigler

Miss Donna Marie Haigler, 20, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ivey (Buddy) Haigler of Northeast Columbia, was among the 156 seniors to graduate from Columbia



Mitchell Smith

Mitchell Smith, a student at Fairfield Vocational Center, has been selected as the Star State Farmer from the second district.

He competed for state honors June 13, at the State FFA Convention at Clemson.

Mitchell has been active in FFA, participating in soil judging, farm business management, nursery landscaping, and agricultural mechanics contests. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Smith.

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Anne Turner Harrell, a Fairfield native living in Columbia, received a major honor from Columbia College this past week.

Mrs. Harrell, daughter of Mrs. W.J. Turner of the Lebanon Community, received the Distinguished Service Award, presented each year to an alumna chosen on the basis of character and of service to family, church, community and college. Mrs. Harrell is a substitute teacher and has held a series of offices in the Columbia College Alumnae Association, including president.

She is also an active member of First Baptist Church, and is listed in Outstanding Young Women of America.



**TOP SPELLER** — Sal Marsh, an 8th grade student at Fairfield Junior High School, took top honors at the countywide spelling bee held at Mt. Zion recently. Sal's winning word was "delicious"; his last opponent lost out on the word "immortal". Sal, who is in Mrs. Martha Bass' homeroom at FJH, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold T. Marsh of Ridgeway. (Photo by Faye Johnson)

J. ALLEN MASON JR. has been named general manager and executive vice president of the Carolina Bonded Storage Co. A graduate of the University of South Carolina, Mason previously worked as operations manager for the local warehouse firm.



Mason

## Bozard Graduates

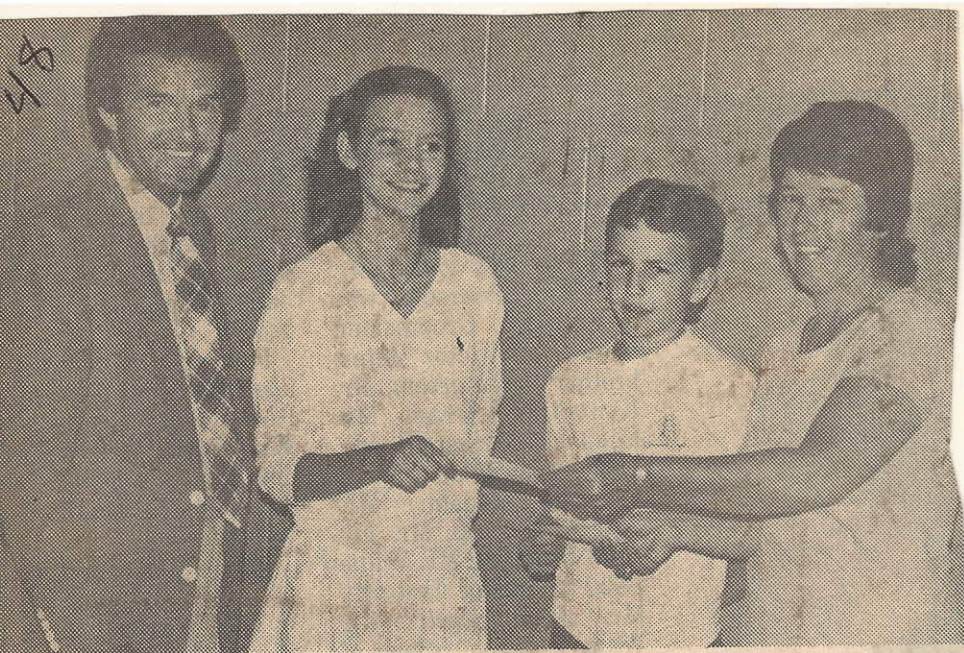
John Michael Bozard was among the 185 graduating seniors who received baccalaureate degrees at the May 12 commencement exercises at Presbyterian College.

The son of Mr. and Mrs.

W.D. Bozard of Winnsboro, John received a BS degree with major in business administration. While at P.C., John was a member of the varsity football team and Pi Kappa Alpha social fraternity.



John Bozard



**WINNERS** — The Fairfield Soil and Water Conservation District Commissioners have announced the winners of this year's essay contest. The annual contest is open to all 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th graders in Fairfield County. This year's theme was "Why is Forest Conservation Important?" Pat Castles, Fairfield District clerk, is shown presenting the first place prize to Travis Arnold and second place prize to Caroline deVlaming. Also pictured is F. Carroll Taylor, headmaster of Richard Winn Academy, where both essay winners are students.



**YOUNG SEAMSTRESSES** — Priscilla Rambo, Constance Roseboro and Hannah Rambo, left to right, are wearing tops they made in sewing class. Nikki Riley, Cristy Wray and Mrs. Susie Wray also participated in the sewing class conducted by the Clemson University Cooperative Extension Service.

## Miss Starnes Gets Degree

Cynthia Anne Starnes, granddaughter of Mrs. Charlie Norman, was among students graduating from Presbyterian College this past spring. Miss Starnes is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Henry S. Starnes, Jr. of Great Falls.

An accounting major, Miss Starnes received a bachelor of science degree cum laude. She was the recipient of the Outstanding Library Science award and is listed in the current edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities". She was a member of Sigma Kappa Alpha scholastic honor society.

She will pursue a



Miss Starnes

master's degree in accounting at the University of Georgia.

## Rambo Competes

Peter Rambo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gunnar L. Rambo, Jr., of Winnsboro, participated recently in the academic scholarship and presidential competition at Erskine College.

Rambo is a senior at Richard Winn Academy, where he has been a member of the football team and is in Who's Who among students.

Twenty-one outstanding high school seniors participated in the final of three such competitions to be held this year at Erskine. Altogether 115 high school students took part in the competitions, from which some 40 academic scholarship winners and 20 presidential leadership award winners will be chosen.



# Auxiliary Chooses Girls' State Delegates



Miss Hendrix



Miss Cathcart



Miss Beth Cathcart



Miss Fifer

The following girls have been chosen by the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 16 as delegates and alternates to Palmetto Girls' State, to be held June 10-16, on the campus of the University of South Carolina.

Frances Anne Hendrix is the delegate from Richard Winn Academy, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Hendrix of Blair.

Miss Hendrix enjoys playing the piano, cross stitching, water and snow skiing. Her favorite sports are basketball, softball and tennis. She has held the following offices in school: junior class president, chorus librarian, secretary of the sophomore class, and student council representative for eighth and ninth grades. She is a member of the Block R Club, Beta Club and the Aerie staff.

Miss Hendrix is a member of Salem Presbyterian Church, where she plays the piano and keeps the nursery.

Abby Cathcart is the alternate for Richard Winn. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Cathcart.

Miss Cathcart enjoys water and snow skiing, playing tennis and basketball. Some of her achievements at school are cheerleader for football, varsity basketball player, sophomore class vice-president, secretary of the junior class, a member of

the Block R Club, on the Aerie staff, and librarian in high school chorus.

Miss Cathcart attends Bethel Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church.

Sarah Elizabeth (Beth) Cathcart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Cathcart, is the delegate from Winnsboro High School.

Hobbies of Miss Cathcart include reading, playing basketball and softball and being with friends. She is a member of the WHS Junior Assembly and played basketball on the varsity team. She works after school at the White Oak Baptist Conference Center. She is a member of the First Baptist Church in Winnsboro, where she is very active with the youth group and Acteens.

Miss Martha Anne Fifer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Fifer, is the alternate from Winnsboro High.

Miss Fifer is interested in reading, writing, drawing, traveling and camping. She works with Insurance of Fairfield when not studying or at school, and has been employed there for two years. Her ambition is to graduate from college with a degree in business. She is junior editor of the annual staff at Winnsboro High School. Miss Fifer teaches religion to children at Saint Theresa's Catholic Church.



Phillip Wilkes

## Wilkes On Dean's List

Phillip G. Wilkes of Winnsboro is among fifty students named to the dean's list at Spartanburg Methodist College. He is the son of Wayne and Darlene Ferguson, and is majoring in criminal justice.

## Wells Inducted

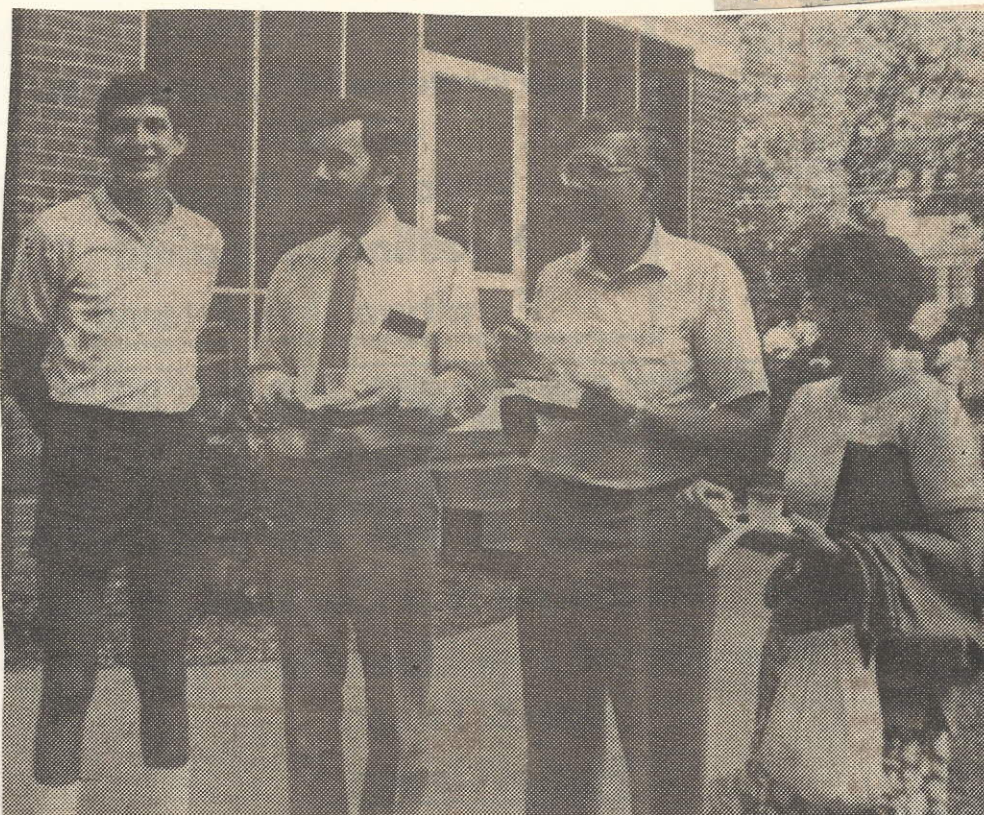
Bill Wells, who has lived in Greenwood since 1954, has been inducted into the Furman University Athletic Hall of Fame.

Wells, Class of 1932, lettered in baseball, basketball and football. He was voted best athlete in 1932, was an all-state end, and graduated with honors and received the highest scholastic average for an athlete.

After receiving his bachelor's degree in economics, he got a job at the U.S. Rubber Company, now Uniroyal, in Winnsboro - not so much because of his degree, but

because he had been playing with the plant baseball team during his college years. He was with U.S. Rubber until 1946, went with Burlington Mills in Greensboro, N.C., until 1954, and then came to Greenwood as personnel manager at Greenwood Mills in 1954. He retired in 1970, but still does some work as consultant in Greensboro.

Mr. Wells is married to the former Margaret Lindsay of Winnsboro. They have one daughter, one son, and two grandchildren.



**DUE WEST** — Peter Rambo, left, of Winnsboro continued a family tradition established by his parents and grandparents when he entered Erskine College this fall. The Richard Winn graduate and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gunnar L. Rambo, Jr., discuss Erskine's science and pre-medical offerings with Dr. Howard E. Thomas (second from left), chemistry professor at the college. Rambo is a member of the Class of 1989, which will graduate during Erskine's Sesquicentennial year. Gunnar Rambo graduated from Erskine in 1964, the school's 125th anniversary year, and Pam Fellers Rambo is a 1965 graduate. (Photo by Dick Haldeman)



Don Upton, Jr.

Don Upton, Jr., of Columbia received his juris doctorate from the University of South Carolina School of Law on May 18. He served as Law School student government senator.

Don is the grandson of Mrs. Leonard O. Stevenson of the Lebanon Community and the late Mr. Stevenson. He is the son of Mrs. Miriam Stevenson Upton Breckenridge of Columbia and the late Don N. Upton.

William E. Kimble, Jr., of the S.C. Wildlife & Marine Resources Department was graduated May 24 from Basic Law Enforcement Class 180 at the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy.

Mark Gustafson graduated cum laude from the University of South Carolina May 18.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Gustafson, Mark received a B.S. degree from the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, with a major in geography.



MISS CATHCART

## Named Runner-up

Abby Cathcart of Winnsboro was named first runnerup in the Miss Palmetto Boys State beauty pageant in Charleston this past Friday night.

Miss Cathcart, daughter of Mrs. Lee Cathcart and W. E. Cathcart, competed against fourteen other young ladies from throughout South Carolina. Boys Staters were organized into sixteen cities, with approximately 45 Boys Staters in each city. Each Boys State delegate was asked to submit photographs of a young lady to be considered for the sixteen pageant contestants; Miss Cathcart's photo was submitted by Scott Barefield, and she was one of those selected to participate in the Friday pageant.

The contestants competed in formal gowns, and the eight finalists were interviewed on stage. Then four finalists were selected and each was asked a hypothetical question. Miss Cathcart was asked what she would do if she were five minutes late for an important dance, and in the car about 15 miles from her home her eight-year old brother popped up. She replied that she would have to take him home before going on to the dance.

The young lady who was named the pageant winner was from Myrtle Beach.

Friday's beauty pageant was the second this year for Miss Cathcart, who was also named first runner-up in the Miss Richard Winn Academy pageant. She is a rising senior at RWA.

# Jena's Number Retired; Future is Bright

By Becky Wooten

Jena Barnett never had to work quite as hard as the other girls her age to achieve success on the basketball court. A lot of her talent comes naturally.

Her innate ability to play the game of basketball has projected her career into the realm known only to superstars.

A senior at Richard Winn Academy, Jena's jersey with the lucky number 25 was retired at the end of the regular season. She has scored 2,437 points in her five-year career on the varsity team, which set a new school record.

More than sixty colleges have looked at Jena with five schools seriously vying for Jena's signature on their full grant-in-aid scholarships.

In April, Jena will sign with the Lady Tigers of Clemson University to continue her basketball career.

Standing 5'11" tall, Jena is an attractive girl whose maturity far exceeds her eighteen years. She's obviously athletic with well defined muscle tone and a lot of poise. Yet she is very feminine and admits that just because she plays basketball she doesn't want "to look like a man".

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barnett of Winnsboro, Jena interjects with the calm that pervades her personality, "I have just always loved basketball".

Her father played basketball for Winnsboro High School, and her mother played basketball her senior year at Winnsboro High.

"Jena started playing basketball with a local church league in the sixth grade," her father recalls, "it wasn't long before people noticed that Jena had a lot of potential to be good."

Mr. Barnett inquired with various people about good basketball camps in the south and sent Jena to one in Milledgeville, Ga., when she was twelve. Camps and coaches all along the way assured Mr. Barnett that Jena was a natural with the basketball.

"She always enjoyed the sport so much. We could

see that in particular areas where her teammates really had to practice and learn, Jena just seemed to be able to do things naturally," Mr. Barnett stated.

She played junior varsity ball as a seventh grader. In only one year she was promoted to the varsity team. Jena Barnett was the youngest team member to ever play for Richard Winn.

"The older girls that year, especially Kim and Karen Douglas, watched out for me and helped give me a lot of confidence," Jena remembered. "I think in those early days on the varsity I got real nervous before the games."

The nerves soon vanished. As a ninth grader Jena was selected as a participant in the AAU Junior Olympics and played for the U.S. team in

Boston. Most of her teammates on the Olympic team are now superstars for colleges across the nation.

"I can't really say that I have hobbies because if I ever had any spare time it was always in the gym or standing at a goal," she said.

In the game against Salem Academy this year Jena set another school record when she singlehandedly scored 48 points for the Lady Eagles.

All of her accomplishments easily brought her into the spotlight for college recruiters across the South.

Furman University, Florida State, College of Charleston, University of Virginia, and Clemson were all heavily recruiting this unassuming teenage wonder.

"At first it was very flattering to have so many people calling me, watching my games, looking at films, and taking me out to dinner. Toward the end of it all I was weary. But the decision to go to Clemson really came pretty easily," Jena commented.

Because her father attended the University of South Carolina, Jena has always been a Gamecock fan. That should soon change in the fall. Said Mr. Barnett, "I told Jena we'd just have to work something out about the Clemson-Carolina game".

"I can't wait until the

Clemson-USC game," Jena grinned and admitted, "a lot of my high school rivals from Hammond Academy are going to be playing for the Lady Gamecocks. I'm looking forward to having another chance with those girls."

The list of honors in Jena Barnett's name include being the most valuable team member for the Lady Eagles last year, conference tournament most valuable player, All-Conference Team, THE STATE All-Midlands team, and Street and Smith's Basketball All-American Team.

She is the first female athlete at Richard Winn to have her jersey retired. All of these glories have seemingly untouched the "down to earth" nature of Jena Barnett.

"I guess when I come back to Richard Winn in a few years and see my jersey in the trophy case, I'll probably feel very emotional and proud. I guess you could say the honor of all this hasn't hit me yet," she said.

Jena has twin brothers who are fifteen, and who also enjoy playing basketball. She'll quickly admit that her family serves as her biggest support group. She also gives her coach, Beth Reid, a lot of credit for helping her become a better athlete.

"I decided to go to Clemson so my family and my coach could come and see me play," Jena asserted, "and I'd like my boyfriend to be able to watch my games occasionally, too."

Suggesting that she might be an inspiration for younger females interested in sports seems appealing to Jena Barnett. "I'd like to think that I might be a role model for someone," she says.

Jena's future looks bright because her hard work and natural ability have achieved measurable success and she is standing on the brink of bigger and better opportunities.

Her traditional feelings and constant maintaining of "practice makes perfect" have pushed her this far. Her determination to achieve even more should escort this young lady down the avenue of the superstars of the Eighties.



## Jena Signs with Clemson

Richard Winn Academy's All-Star forward Jena Barnett has reached another peak in her career. On April 10, the national signing date

for the NCAA (National Collegiate Athletic Association), Jena signed a national letter-of-intent to attend Clemson University.

most points in a game - 48 - and most career points - over 2,700.

Barnett's jersey No. 25 was retired at ceremonies preceding the Lady Eagles' last game. She led the RWA girls to a 25-2 record this season and the SCISAA AA state championship.

Richard Winn Academy will feel the loss of this outstanding player who generated recognition for herself, the Academy, and all of Winnsboro.



Miss Craft

## Miss Craft Order of Rainbow WA

The Chester Assembly of the Order of Rainbow for Girls held their installation of officers Sunday, January 20, at the Masonic Temple, with Lisa Craft installed as Worthy Advisor, the highest office in the assembly.

Miss Craft is the daughter of Herbert Craft of Winnsboro.

William Spencer McMaster graduated in May with honors from the University of Virginia Law School in Charlottesville, Va. He is a graduate of Woodbury Forest Preparatory School in Orange, Va., and Duke University, Durham, N.C. Before attending the University of Virginia, Bill was employed by Price Waterhouse accounting firm in Washington, D.C., where he obtained his C.P.A. license.

Mr. McMaster is the son of Mr. and Mrs. F.C. McMaster of Winnsboro and the grandson of Mrs. W.C. Edmunds of Ridgeway and Columbia, and the late Mr. Edmunds; and the late Mr. and Mrs. S.R. McMaster of Winnsboro. He is now employed by the law firm of Vincent and Elkin in Houston, Texas.

## Ebo Selected

Kenneth Ebo, of Mrs. Doris G. Winnsboro, has been selected for membership in the Sousa National School Honors Band. He is one of the highest in the nation who come to a high school musician. Kenneth plays the trombone. His school band, is the Newark, Del. School band, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Ebo of Newark. He is the former Teacher of Winnsboro.



Kenneth Ebo

Andrew R. Ligon received a master of science award from Furman University on June 8.

Ligon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Ligon of Blair.

## Clemson Graduates

Clemson University conferred 1,491 degrees to the largest graduating class in its history during recent commencement exercises.

Among those graduating were Margaret Carlisle Chappell, BS in microbiology, cum laude; Jennifer Ann Pope, BS in administrative management; James Lee Dorrier, Jr., MS in electrical engineering; Edith Catherine Hendrix, BA in elementary education; and Edythe Lucia Frick, BS in financial management.

## Lander College

William Randall Foster was one of 213 Lander College students to receive undergraduate and graduate degrees at Lander's 114th commencement exercises on May 4.

Foster received a bachelor of science degree in business administration/general business.

## Gets Scholarship

James Patrick, son of Mrs. Pauline D. Patrick, received an M. Stanyarne Bell Memorial Scholarship and a Theatre Award from Erskine College May 6, during Honors Day at the college.

The Bell Scholarship is given in memory of M. Stanyarne Bell, president of Erskine College from 1973 until his death in 1981. It is given to students of outstanding character and leadership potential. Mr. Bell's widow presented the award.

Patrick received the Theatre Award as best actor in a major role for his portrayal of Prospero in

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**MISS RWA** — Shannon Wade, left, Miss Richard Winn Academy for 1985, is congratulated by outgoing Miss RWA Page Castles after winning the crown during the annual pageant on March 22. Miss Wade, daughter of Patricia R. Wade and Eugene C. Wade, is a sophomore and lives at Mitford.



**BRANHAM SELECTED** — Lander College senior Calvin Branham, right, of Winnsboro, has been selected to attend Trent Polytechnic Institute in Nottingham, England, next fall as part of Lander's exchange program with the British school. Branham is pictured here with Lander Academic Dean Oscar Page (left) and Dr. Alan Jones (center) of Trent Polytechnic. A music education major, Branham will take general courses and private voice and piano lessons during his semester at Trent.



**Laura Thomas**

Laura Ann Thomas, 18-year old daughter of Ms. Carlie Ann Thomas of Winnsboro and Richard H. Thomas of Ridgeway, graduated with honors from Richard Winn Academy May 27.

She received the D.A.R. Good Citizenship Award, the Business and Professional Women's Scholarship, the Mt. Zion Society Scholarship, and the RWA Leadership Scholarship.

She will be entering Clemson University this fall, and will major in animal science. She has received the Edwin P. Rogers Scholarship from Clemson.

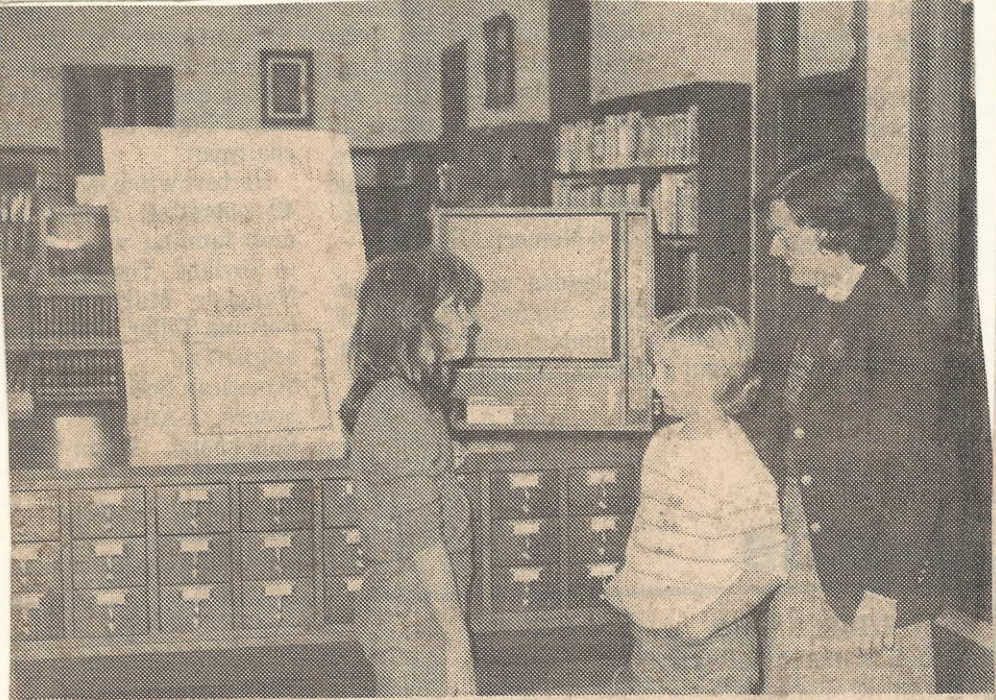
Laura Ann is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl G. Lyles and Mr. and Mrs. Quay W. McMaster.

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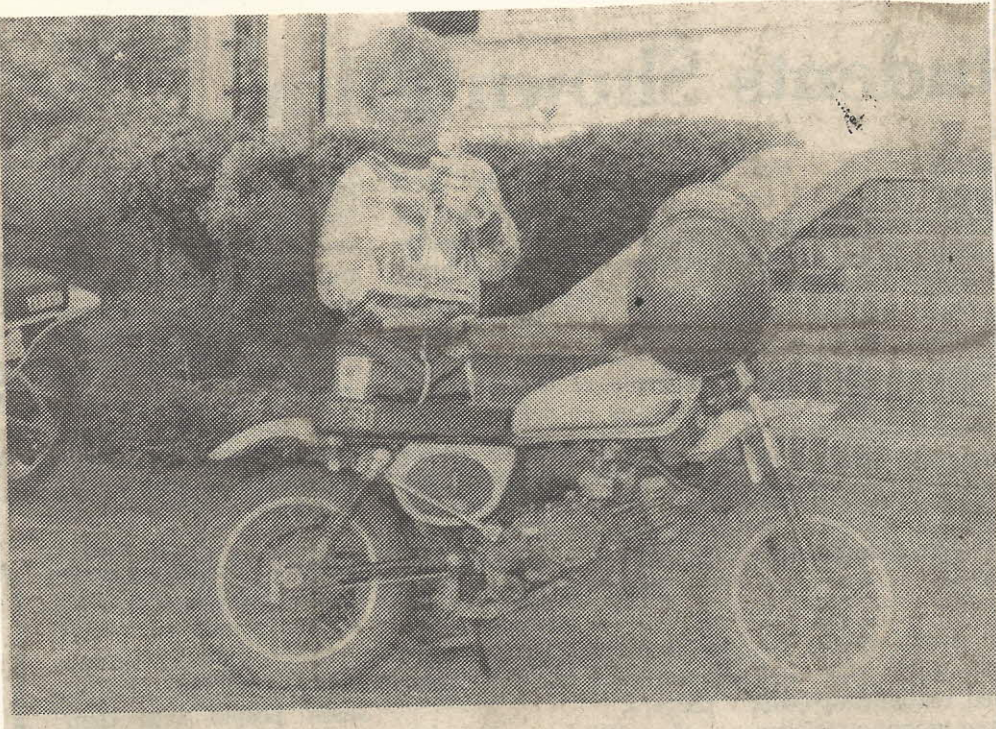
Esther Ashe McMaster, a rising junior at Oldfields Preparatory School in Glencoe, Md., has been named a National Academic All-American Scholar by the National Secondary Education Council. This award is presented to faculty nominated students who must earn a 3.3 or better grade point average during the school year.

Esther also received the Katharine Culbertson award presented at the end of the school term to the new student who makes during the year. She was on the honor roll for the entire year and participated in all school activities, including basketball, Spanish club, riding club, hospital volunteers, dorm council and tour guide for the admissions office. Her final award was the Key award, given to the students who have best helped the admissions office in selecting new students for the coming school year.

Esther is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F.C. McMaster of Winnsboro and the granddaughter of Mrs. W.C. Edmunds of Ridgeway and Columbia, and the late Mr. Edmunds, and the late Mr. and Mrs. S.R. McMaster of Winnsboro.



**Beth Clowney, 9, a student at Everett School, and Becky Tanner, 9, also of Everett, discuss the new computer index with Fairfield County Librarian Sarah McMaster. (H-I Photo)**



**TROPHY WINNER** — Five-year old Marshall Goode shows off the trophy he won riding a JR50 Suzuki in a 14-mile poker run sponsored by the Sumter Enduro Riders Association. Marshall has been riding since he was two, and this was his first race. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Goode. (Photo by Pam Lewis)

Charles M. Ayers of Winnsboro has made the President's List for the spring semester of 1985. On the Dean's List were Margaret C. Chappell and Catherine Hendrix.

Jane B. Finley, daughter of Mrs. T.A. Finley and the late Mr. Finley of Ridgeway, has been named a partner in the Miami office of Deloitte Haskins & Sells, international accounting firm.

Ms. Finley joined DH&S in August 1983. She is a partner in the Management Advisory Services Department and is responsible for governmental services practice.

Ms. Finley graduated in 1968 from Emory University with a BBA and from the University of South Carolina in 1970 with a master's degree in accounting.

Elizabeth Ann Driggers Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Driggers of Winnsboro, received her bachelor of science degree in physical education at the 84th commencement at Trevecca Nazarene College, Nashville, Tenn.

The following Fairfield women have graduated from Columbia College:

Laura Ellen Mattox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Mattox, with a B.A. degree; and from Blythewood, Patricia Donnette Moak, wife of Norman V. Moak, B.A. degree; and Dianne Sheala Stuck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Stuck of Blythewood, B.A. degree.



**Miss Derrick**

Angie Derrick, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. William A. Derrick, Jr., of Boone, N.C., and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Derrick of Winnsboro, graduated on May 12 from Appalachian State University. She received a B.S. degree in commercial design from the Department of Art.

Ms. Derrick received an honor as one of the top award recipients in the Appalachian State Senior Art Exhibit. She will begin working on her M.S. degree in interior design at Florida State University this August.

# 'Best Friend' Made Friends Here

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Walter Brown, left, resident vice-president with Norfolk Southern Corp., and Dr. John C. Buchanan, Jr., were among those taking a nostalgic trip back in time during the visit of The Best Friend of Charleston to Fairfield County this past spring.

(Ed. note: When the Best Friend of Charleston visited Fairfield County in April, it marked the opening event in the county's bicentennial celebration. The South Carolina Railroad Museum and Walter Brown of Norfolk Southern Corp. were instrumental in bringing the steam engine to Fairfield. Also on hand for the Best Friend's visit was Ann Gibson of Martin Marietta Aggregates, which presented the Rockton & Rion Railroad to the South Carolina Railroad Museum last year. Ms. Gibson has written an article which outlines the history of the original Best Friend of Charleston, and it appears below.)

By Ann Gibson

The "Best Friend of Charleston" recently steamed down the Rockton & Rion Railway tracks in Rockton, marking the first time that steam has run on the 12-mile intrastate railway since the mid-60s. The Rockton & Rion Railway is noted for being one of the last shortline railways remaining in South Carolina.

Superior Stone Company, forerunner of Martin Marietta Basic Products, Aggregates Division, purchased the railway in 1966, along with Rion Quarry and rock crushing plant, from Winnsboro Granite Company.

Due to the decline of the aggregate market in this area, Rion Quarry temporarily closed in 1976. In order to preserve the Rockton & Rion Railway and its place in South Carolina history, Martin Marietta Aggregates donated the 12-mile right-of-way to the South Carolina Railroad Museum, Inc., for preservation.

The Best Friend's appearance was part of the year-long festivities marking the 200th anniversary of Fairfield County and the Town of Winnsboro. Over 1,500 residents were treated to a ride on the Best Friend during this special run. The event was sponsored

with a fearful explosion and the Best Friend was scattered all over the countryside.

Southern Railway acquired the remains of the South Carolina Canal and Railroad in 1902. To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the South Carolina Canal and Railroad Company, Southern Railway, in its Charleston shops in 1928, built a replica of the Best Friend of Charleston. The original plans were carefully studied and used to reproduce the Best Friend.

According to Charlie Powell, engineer-coordinator for the Best Friend, she makes only about 25 exhibition runs per year, usually between March and October. These runs, which are planned, sometimes more than a year in advance, take Powell and the Best Friend all over the country. Last year over 34,000 rode in one of the two passenger cars that the

Best Friend pulls and experienced the thrill of a ride on the Best Friend.

Powell said that he's never had any problem finding help unloading the Best Friend from her special cars, then cleaning and polishing her for company, as the railfans are always eager to take part in working on such a special train that has certainly earned her a place in history.

Ray Mauney, system general road foreman of engines, served as the Best Friend's fire attendant. He said that the coldest run that he could remember making with the Best Friend was in the 1976 presidential inaugural parade. They had to have her in line by 5 a.m., with a long, cold wait until 1:30 p.m., when the parade began. By 5:10 a.m., he and the other two operators on the Best Friend had the boiler fired up and their feet were all positioned as near to the fire as they dared put them. They

were, no doubt, the envy of the other parade participants.

The web of tracks and the deep-throated huffing of the tireless locomotives which were the prime movers of industry, were the very pulse of progress. For most of our history railroads have been a vital part of American life; they still attract the young and hold precious memories for the veterans. The Best Friend's run on the Rockton & Rion was a day full of nostalgia for many of the residents and it was hard to tell who had the most fun, the little boys or the big boys, who have managed to stay little boys at heart.

Dr. John C. Buchanan, Jr., recalled his first journey on a steam passenger train, when he traveled Washington, D.C. with his father to attend Woodrow Wilson's inauguration in 1913. He remembered the ride being so bumpy that he had to stay awake and hold on tight to his belt in order to keep from tumbling into his father's lap below. But, this did not put a damper on the excitement that a young boy felt on his first train ride.

**The Best Friend's on the Rockton & Rion April was marked with another bit of history. Ann Gibson, author of this article, became first "lady engineer" to make a run with the Best Friend. Ann says it was a thrill not soon to be forgotten. She adds that Martin Marietta Aggregates is proud of its part in preserving the state's railroad heritage by donating the right-of-way of the Rockton & Rion to the South Carolina Railroad Museum.**

OLD NO. 712, a 2-8-0 steam locomotive that hauled Winnsboro blue granite for many years, sits on a siding at Rion Quarry drawing the love of kudzu vines. A similar type engine will take its place to haul modern-day passengers. (Photo by Carter Siegling)

## Railroad Museum Officials Meet

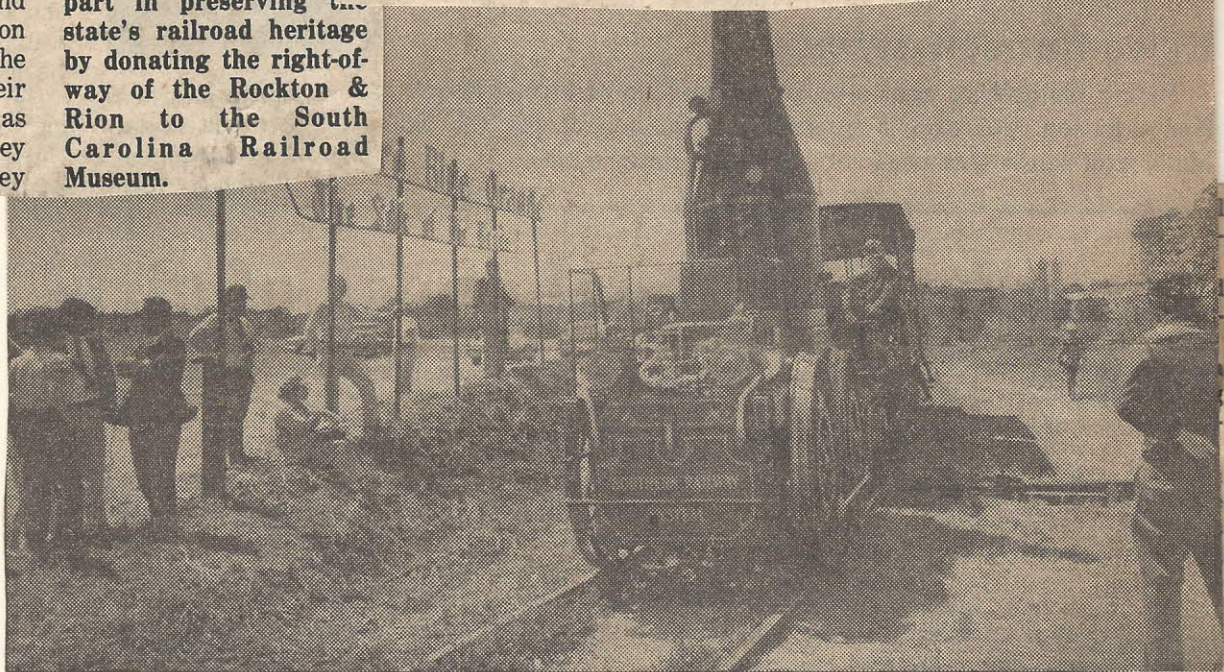
Officials of the South Carolina Railroad Museum, now centered in Winnsboro, met Saturday with Walter Brown, resident vice-president of Norfolk-Southern railroad, and moved ahead with plans to bring the Best Friend of Charleston to Winnsboro as part of the 200th anniversary celebration of the county. This is just one goal of the museum to open the historic Rockton and Rion Railway with steam-powered equipment, and eventually carry passengers on the 12 miles of railway from Rockton to near Anderson quarry.

The line was first constructed in 1882, and this past December 6, was placed on the National Register of Historic Places. The museum, now with

some 150 members, has cleared a portion of the right of way and is looking forward to more progress this spring with volunteer help and additional members. Annual membership dues are \$10 and an application form may be picked up at The Herald-Independent office.

The museum is negotiating with Norfolk-Southern to bring some twenty pieces of rolling equipment from Charleston to Rockton that eventually will be put into service and on display, a move that should bring many visitors to Fairfield County.

The public is encouraged to help by joining the South Carolina Railroad Museum and volunteering to help with this historic project.



Let me tell you 'bout my best friend . . .

Replica of "The Best Friend of Charleston" pulls into Rockton near Winnsboro Friday.

## Train chugs off into history

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(Ed. note: When the Best Friend of Charleston visited Fairfield County in April, it marked the opening event in the county's bicentennial celebration. The South Carolina Railroad Museum and Walter Brown of Norfolk Southern Corp. were instrumental in bringing the steam engine to Fairfield. Also on hand for the Best Friend's visit was Ann Gibson of Martin Marietta Aggregates, which presented the Rockton & Rion Railroad to the South Carolina Railroad Museum last year. Ms. Gibson has written an article which outlines the history of the original Best Friend of Charleston, and it appears below.)

By Ann Gibson

The "Best Friend of Charleston" recently steamed down the Rockton & Rion Railway tracks in Rockton, marking the first time that steam has run on the 12-mile intrastate railway since the mid-60s. The Rockton & Rion Railway is noted for being one of the last shortline railways remaining in South Carolina.

Superior Stone Company, forerunner of Martin Marietta Basic Products, Aggregates Division, purchased the railway in 1966, along with Rion Quarry and rock crushing plant, from Winnsboro Granite Company.

Due to the decline of the aggregate market in this area, Rion Quarry temporarily closed in 1976. In order to preserve the Rockton & Rion Railway and its place in South Carolina history, Martin Marietta Aggregates donated the 12-mile right-of-way to the South Carolina Railroad Museum, Inc., for preservation.

The Best Friend's appearance was part of the year-long festivities marking the 200th anniversary of Fairfield County and the Town of Winnsboro. Over 1,500 residents were treated to a ride on the Best Friend during this special run. The event was sponsored by Norfolk Southern Corp. and the South Carolina Railroad Museum.

The Best Friend first carried passengers on Christmas Day, 1830, in Charleston. She was the first steam locomotive on the South Carolina Canal and Railroad. This was the first railroad to run on a regular schedule, to travel at night, to carry the United States mail and later became an integral part of the Southern Railway System.

On June 17, 1831, the Best Friend made history again. On this day the fireman, unfamiliar with the workings of the steam locomotive and annoyed with the hissing of the escaping steam, sat on the safety valve. For a brief period, all was peaceful and quiet, then the serenity was shattered

with a fearful explosion and the Best Friend was scattered all over the countryside.

Southern Railway acquired the remains of the South Carolina Canal and Railroad in 1902. To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the South Carolina Canal and Railroad Company, Southern Railway, in its Charleston shops in 1928, built a replica of the Best Friend of Charleston. The original plans were carefully studied and used to reproduce the Best Friend.

According to Charlie Powell, engineer-coordinator for the Best Friend, she makes only about 25 exhibition runs per year, usually between March and October. These runs, which are planned, sometimes more than a year in advance, take Powell and the Best Friend all over the country. Last year over 34,000 rode in one of the two passenger cars that the

Best Friend pulls and experienced the thrill of a ride on the Best Friend.

Powell said that he's never had any problem finding help unloading the Best Friend from her special cars, then cleaning and polishing her for company, as the railfans are always eager to take part in working on such a special train that has certainly earned her a place in history.

Ray Mauney, system general road foreman of engines, served as the Best Friend's fire attendant. He said that the coldest run that he could remember making with the Best Friend was in the 1976 presidential inaugural parade. They had to have her in line by 5 a.m., with a long, cold wait until 1:30 p.m., when the parade began. By 5:10 a.m., he and the other two operators on the Best Friend had the boiler fired up and their feet were all positioned as near to the fire as they dared put them. They

train, which he worked in Washington, D.C. with his father to attend Woodrow Wilson's inauguration in 1913. He remembered the ride being so bumpy that he had to stay awake and hold on tight to his belt in order to keep from tumbling into his father's belt below. But, this did not put a damper on the excitement that a young boy felt on his first train ride.

**The Best Friend's on the Rockton & Rion April was marked with another bit of history. Ann Gibson, author of this article, became first "lady engineer" make a run with the Best Friend. Ann says it was a thrill not soon to be forgotten. She adds that Martin Marietta Aggregates is proud of part in preserving the state's railroad heritage by donating the right-of-way of the Rockton & Rion to the South Carolina Railroad Museum.**

Officials of the South Carolina Railroad Museum, now centered in Winnsboro, met Saturday with Walter Brown, resident vice-president of Norfolk-Southern railroad, and moved ahead with plans to bring the Best Friend of Charleston to Winnsboro as part of the 200th anniversary celebration of the county. This is just one goal of the museum to open the historic Rockton and Rion Railway with steam-powered equipment, and eventually carry passengers on the 12 miles of railway from Rockton to near Anderson quarry. The line was first constructed in 1882, and this past December 6, was placed on the National Register of Historic Places. The museum, now with

some 150 members, has cleared a portion of the right of way and is looking forward to more progress this spring with volunteer help and additional members. Annual membership dues are \$10 and an application form may be picked up at The Herald-Independent office.

The museum is negotiating with Norfolk-Southern to bring some twenty pieces of rolling equipment from Charleston to Rockton that eventually will be put into service and on display, a move that should bring many visitors to Fairfield County.

The public is encouraged to help by joining the South Carolina Railroad Museum and volunteering to help with this historic project.



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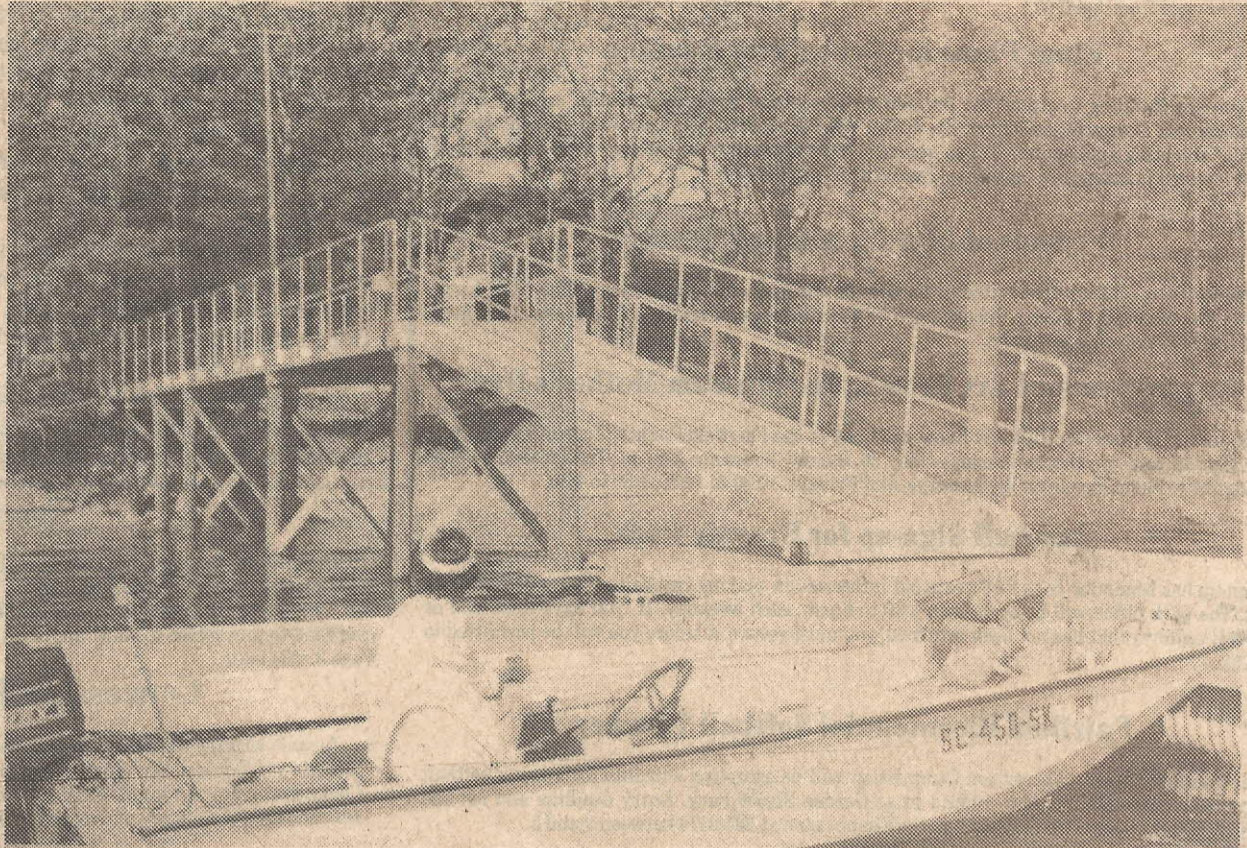
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The 238-acre park, now in Phase One, has a tackle shop, houses for a superintendent and a park ranger, two bathhouses, and seventy-two camping sites with water and electrical hook-ups. It also boasts two concrete boat ramps and an aluminum pier with gas pump. There is also a picnic area.

Park Superintendent Phil Gaines, who came to Wateree from Kings Mountain State Park, is enthusiastic about the possibilities of Fairfield's park. Gaines expects year-round campers because of the hunting in Fairfield. Although traffic in the park was slow on a weekday last week, Gaines was expecting a crowd of campers over the weekend, as the weather heated up. Camp sites are \$7.50 per night off the lake and \$8.50 for selected sites on the lake. Use of the boat ramp is \$1 per boat, with an annual permit available for \$20.

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(Photo by Faye Johnson)

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IT'S OFFICIAL! - The state was officially dedicated last night, dressing the assembled crowd in (at podium), and Charles Tourism. Lake Wateree State Park facilities. (Photo by Faye Johnson)

# Airport Gets New Base Manager

After a long search, a manager has been hired for the Fairfield County Airport.

Vince Kasyjanski, owner and operator of Kaz-Air, comes to Fairfield from Miami, Florida, where he had been self-employed since 1982.

He is a specialist in general aviation maintenance and repair, and is a licensed aircraft mechanic with inspection authorization. He can repair most general aviation airplanes and Citation JT-15 and PT-6A (turbine-powered) aircraft.

His experience includes time spent with Daytona Beach Aviation, Florida, and Airwork Service Division of Millville, New Jersey.

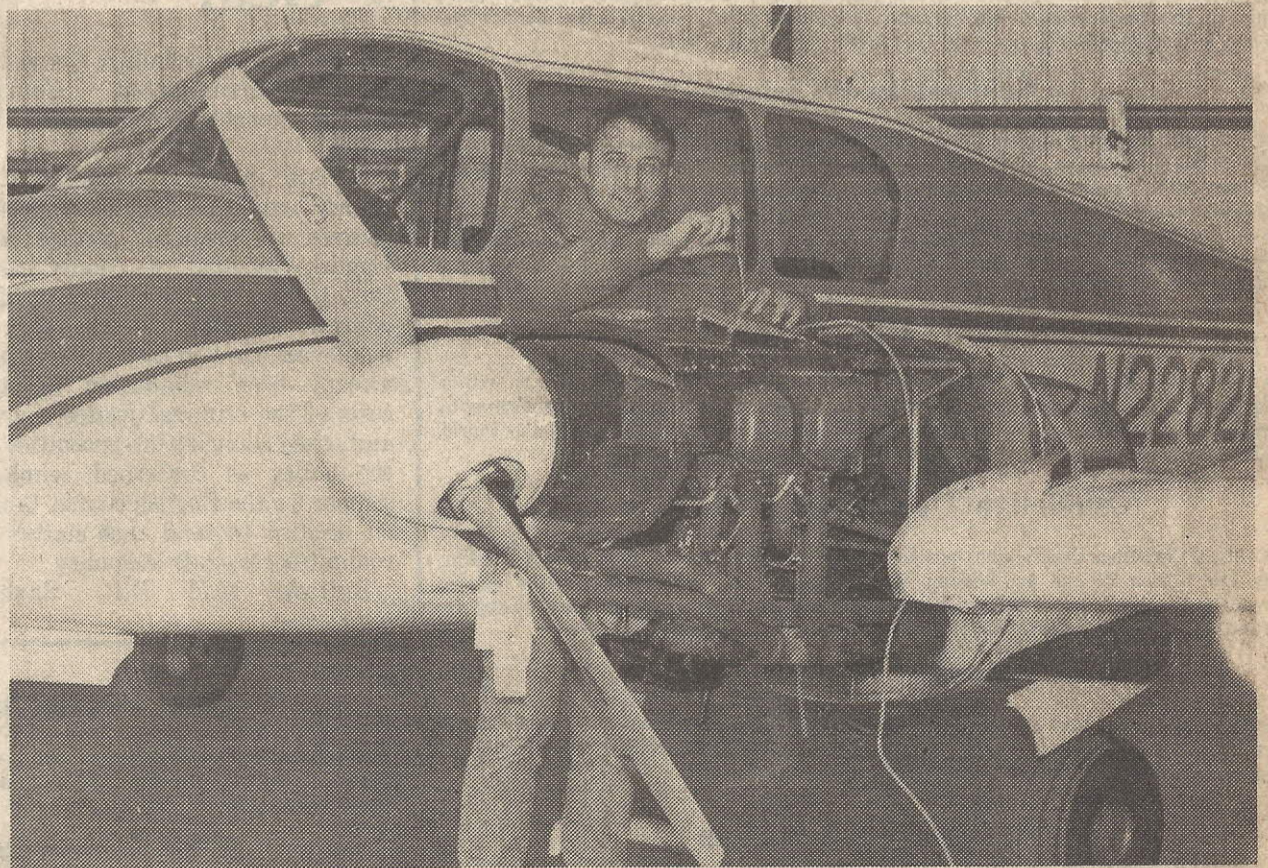
Kasyjanski said he was attracted to Fairfield County because of the airport facilities and a good long-term agreement with the county Airport Commission.

He is a private pilot, and although not an instructor, he said an instructor will be available soon to teach pilots the ins and outs of aeronautics. The aircraft to be used for instruction is a Cessna 172; another aircraft will be available soon, Kasyjanski said.

Right now, there are seven aircraft permanently based at the Fairfield County Airport. Two are owned by businesses and five by individuals. The airport is open 24 hours a day for air travelers.

Kasyjanski, who will be bringing his family to Fairfield soon, said anyone wishing to take flying lessons should call the airport at 635-3086.

The Fairfield County Airport



Vince Kasyjanski works on an airplane at the Fairfield County Airport. Vince is the new base manager at the airport and runs Kaz-Air, which provides main-

tenance services in addition to his airport duties. (11-1 Photo)

Commission members report they are quite pleased to have a permanent base operator. "We are very

confident that Kaz-Air will be an asset to our community and to the industrial development of our coun-

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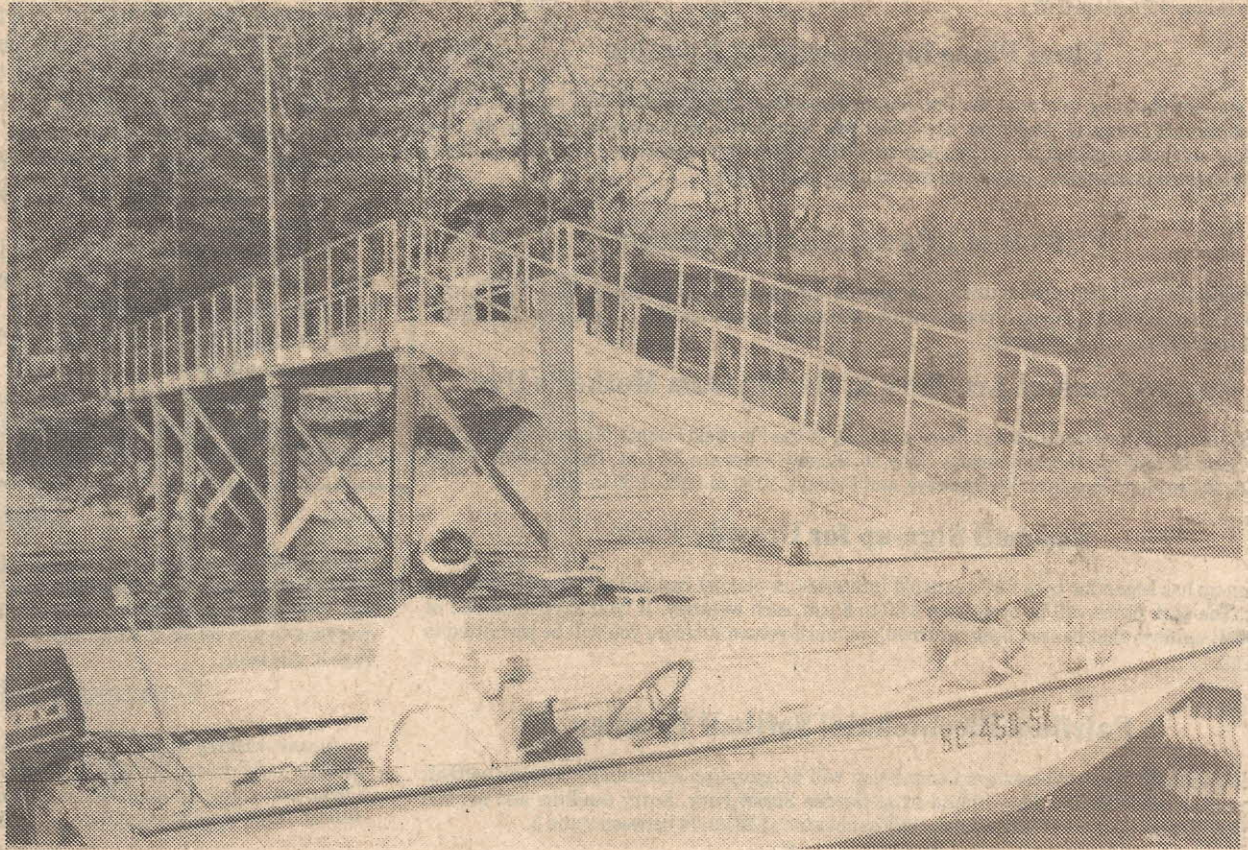
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**IT'S OFFICIAL!** - The state's newest park, Lake Wateree State Park was officially dedicated last Friday afternoon. Among those addressing the assembled crowd were Fairfield State Senator John Montanari (at podium), and Charles Bundy, director, Parks, Recreation and Tourism. Lake Wateree State Park offers boating and camping facilities. (Photo by Faye Johnson)



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Gunnar Rambo of the Lebanon Volunteer Fire Department was appointed to the Fireboard.

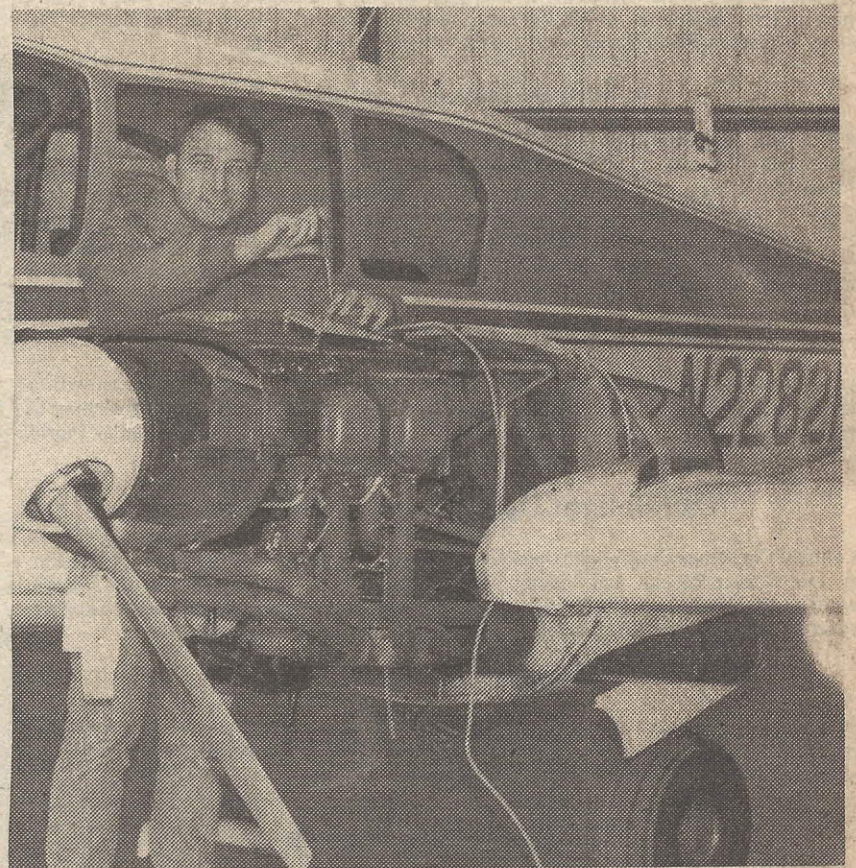
Councilwoman Ann Pope suggested that a letter of appreciation be written by council to B.B. Cole of the Economic Development Commission for his efforts in attaining an industry for Fairfield County. Mrs. Pope said the money the county spends for membership in the EDC is money well-spent, adding that a second announcement of an industry location here is in the near future.

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# Construction Begins on Ambulatory Care Center at FMH

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A crowd estimated at approximately 150 persons attended groundbreaking ceremonies for the new Ambulatory Care Center at Fairfield Memorial Hospital on August 6.

Hospital Board Chairman John P. Harrison welcomed the group and expressed pleasure at the turnout of local citizens in addition to hospital employees and trustees.

Invocation was given by the Rev. James P. Blackwelder, pastor of Stephen Greene Baptist Church.

In a brief overview of the project, Mr. Harrison stated that the new center is designed to provide a tremendous upgrading of services, both outpatient and inpatient, in the areas of emergency room, diagnostics, radiology, laboratory, physical therapy, respiratory therapy and other outpatient related services.

The building will also include new areas for hospital inpatients and visitors. These include entrance, reception/waiting, gift shop and, it was emphasized, much improved facilities for patient receiving, discharge and billing reconciliation.

Making a special point, Harrison indicated the name "Fairfield

Memorial Hospital" on the wall behind the speaker's podium. "With the new construction that name will disappear, only to reappear alive and vibrant on the new front we are starting today", he said.

Harrison said that last fall the board of the hospital and the Fairfield County Council made a decision, or, as he phrased it, "took a gamble", that the people of Fairfield County would support their own hospital. The alternative, he said, would have been workmen with chisels removing the sign, which would be replaced with "321 By-Pass Nursing Home", "XYZ Corporate Offices", or perhaps bulldozers clearing the site for other uses.

"As for me," Harrison said, "I would rather be here with a shovel, showing faith and progress, rather than a chisel admitting defeat."

County Council Chairman Coit Washington told those assembled that much thought had gone into the decision to build the ambulatory care center. Washington urged residents to be supportive by utilizing the facility.

Dr. Harmon Patrick, hospital chief of staff and chairman of the board's building committee, expressed the

pleasure of the medical staff with the decision to construct the ambulatory care center. He said local physicians are pleased with the hospital's progress and can feel confident in their referral of patients to the facility.

Harrison introduced Curtiss Gore, hospital administrator, and expressed the board's thanks to him, the staff, hospital employees and EMS personnel for a job well done during the past year.

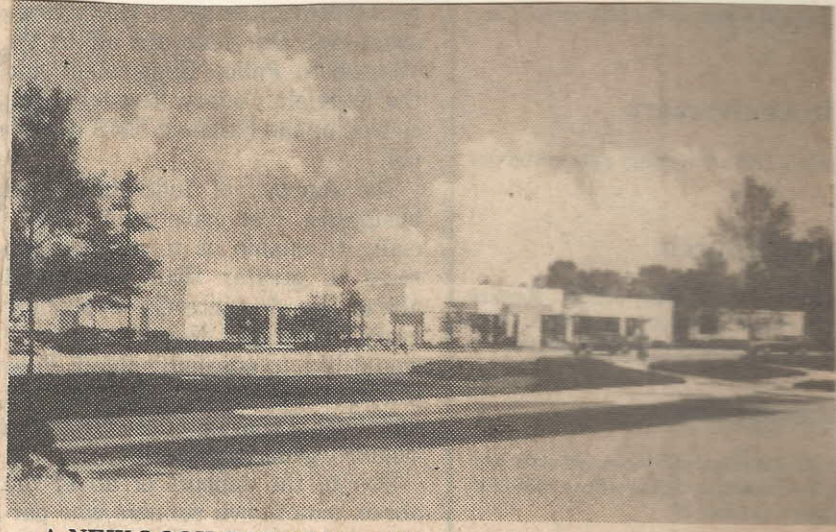
Also recognized was the newly formed volunteer staff.

Other guests introduced were Charles Hite of the Duke Foundation; Bruce Eason, president, and Richard Earl, vice-president, of Eason Associates, architects for the project.

Participating in the actual groundbreaking ceremony were Mr. Harrison, Mr. Washington, Dr. Patrick, and Winnsboro Mayor Quay W. McMaster.

Completion of the ambulatory care center is scheduled for less than one year, according to Harrison.

Benediction was given by the Rev. Johnny Byrd, pastor of Shiloh Independent Church and a member of the hospital board.



**A NEW LOOK FOR FMH — Construction has begun on the new \$2.1 Ambulatory Care Center at Fairfield Memorial Hospital. The building, to be completed in June, 1986, will provide for a new emergency room, radiology department, laboratory, physical therapy, and business office.**

## Portraits Restored

Two portraits donated by the Coleman-Feaster-Mobley Family Association to the Fairfield Museum several years ago, have been professionally restored. The family association commissioned Mrs. Bert Moorman of Columbia to do the work. She is nationally known for her work in this highly specialized field and has completed several restorations for museums around the state, as well as many private portraits and paintings.

The portraits, painted by George W. Ladd, are of John Feaster of Feasterville, and Mary Meadow, Feaster's housekeeper. Feaster commissioned one other portrait of a family employee, which is still privately owned. Mrs. Moorman said that she had never seen a Ladd portrait before and was "pleasantly surprised with the quality of the paintings and the skill of the artist".

John Feaster, a leader in his community and donor of the land for the Feasterville Academy, Boarding House, and Universalist Church, engaged Ladd's wife, Katherine Stratton Ladd, renown in her own field, education, to come to Feasterville and teach.

She taught there for several years.

The Coleman-Feaster-Mobley Association was started in 1941, and continues to this day with an annual family reunion. It is open to all Coleman, Feaster, Mobley descendants and their related families. Each year, people come from all over the United States for the reunion, which is held on the grounds of the Feasterville Academy in Feasterville. The reunion will be held the first Sunday in October, the sixth.

Several members of the Association have worked on this restoration project and special appreciation is in order to Kathryn and Lake High of Columbia for their interest and time taken to locate a portrait restorer as well as getting the portraits to and from the museum for this restoration. Photographic enlargements of the portraits, suitable for framing, can be obtained through Mrs. Moorman.

The portraits are back in the county museum and can be seen during regular museum hours. On Saturday, October 5, from 2-4 p.m., the museum will be opened as a courtesy to the extra visitors to the county.

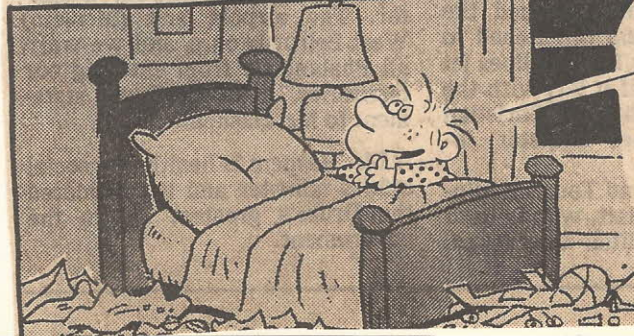


**CONSTRUCTION WORK HAS BEGUN ON THE NEW OUT-PATIENT CLINIC AT FAIRFIELD MEMORIAL HOSPITAL. (Photo by Mike Avery)**

### Hospital officers

The Richland Memorial Hospital Medical and Dental Staff have elected three officers to lead the 560-member group for 1985. John A. Wells, M.D., was elected Chief of Staff; Robert R. Taylor, M.D., was elected Vice Chief of Staff; and John W. Popp Jr., M.D., was re-elected secretary.

### FRANK AND ERNEST / by bob thaves



I ALREADY ASKED SANTA FOR THESE THINGS, BUT I THOUGHT IT COULDN'T HURT TO GO OVER HIS HEAD.

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# State Museum acquires Confederate printing plate

By GENE ABLE  
State Staff Writer

The Queen of the Confederacy has come home to stay.

A pair of Confederate printing plates, used to make \$100 bills bearing the likeness of a woman whose beauty was acclaimed worldwide, has been acquired by the State Museum.

Cultural history curator Rodger Stroup said the retrieval of the plate that was used in a Confederate printing plant on Gervais and Huger streets in Columbia is further evidence of the trend that has seen many South Carolina artifacts returned to the state.

"Many of South Carolina's treasures that had left the state are being retrieved and will figure prominently in the museum's exhibits," Stroup said. "This plate is the only one of its kind we've been able to locate and a substantial amount of the money printed during the Civil War was printed here in Columbia on plates like this one."

The Lucy Pickens Plate was supposedly taken as a Civil War souvenir by a soldier from Michigan. The plate was obtained by a private collector at an estate sale two decades ago.

The beauty, whose likeness was feebly captured by the engravers of

the plate, has a far more intriguing story than the plate itself.

Born Lucy Pettway Holcombe on Westover of Woodstock Plantation in La Grange, Tenn., she later married a man who would become ambassador to Russia and a South Carolina governor during the Civil War. Francis Pickens, himself the son of a former South Carolina governor, was a lawyer and secessionist politician when he met his future bride in West Virginia.

By that time, at the age of 26, Miss Holcombe was already well traveled and accomplished as a socialite and political activist. She took up the cause of Cuban freedom as a teenager and authored a book, *The Free Flag of Cuba*, which was published when she was 17. Her beau was killed fighting for the Cuban Rebels when she was 19.

After that she gave up causes for the social whirl. The story is told that she so captivated the Mississippi legislature during a visit to Jackson that most of the legislators escorted her to the train station when she departed their city. Some stayed with her as far as the state line and others accom-

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panied her all the way to New Orleans. As a result of the interest she stirred up, the legislature adjourned because a quorum could not be called.

The Holcombes had property in Texas and Tennessee and sent their daughters to be educated in a Quaker school in Pennsylvania. When Lucy Holcombe became Francis Pickens' third wife (his first two died), her beauty and grace became as heralded in Washington and St. Petersburg, Russia, as in Tennessee, Texas and South Carolina.

The Pickens couple was so popular with Czar Alexander and Czarina Maria that they were moved into the palace and lavished with expensive gifts. The royal couple became the godparents of their first baby girl.

Two years later as war in America became certain, they returned to South Carolina where Pickens defeated Barnwell Rhett, editor of a Charleston newspaper, in the gubernatorial election.

It was on orders from Pickens that South Carolinians fired on a ship bringing supplies to Fort Sumter directly precipitating the Civil War.

Lucy Pickens had a patriotic fervor even stronger than her devotion to Cuban freedom as a young girl. She sold jewelry given her by the czar to outfit the Holcombe Legion, which was named in her honor.

In 1862 bills in \$1 denominations were printed with her picture on it, marking perhaps the first time in modern history that a coin or bill was engraved with the likeness of a woman "who was not royalty. That was when she was accorded the unofficial title, "the uncrowned queen of the Confederacy."

Another \$1 plate was engraved with her picture in 1863 and the \$100 plate, which will be displayed in the South Carolina State Museum, was engraved the following year.

Francis Pickens died in 1869; but his third wife survived another 30 years. She helped her brother, John Holcombe, manage three plantations, was a leader in the campaign to preserve Mount Vernon and was a regent in the Daughters of the Confederacy.



Maxie Roberts/The State

## 'Queen of the Confederacy'

From left, Grady Patterson, Guy Lipscomb and Rodger Stroup examine plate.



**GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY** — Joe K. Cathcart and Julian K. Coleman of Winnsboro attended the 50 year golden anniversary celebration of their 1935 Clemson University class, held June 8. This class consisted of 172 graduating members, many of whom served in the armed services during the last world war. One hundred and four members of this wartime class have died

since graduation. Joe Cathcart was among the four members who participated in Clemson athletics who attended the 50-year reunion, the others being deceased or ill. Cathcart is pictured above on the second row from the bottom, first on the left. Mr. Coleman is on the back row, second from the right.

# Bicentennial Plans include A Number of Activities

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The Town of Winnsboro and Fairfield County are celebrating their 200th birthdays this year, and a number of festivities are planned throughout 1985. Dates have been set for a historic homes tour in Winnsboro, the "Fairfield Fun Day", an event replacing Buck Fever this year, and for the Western Fairfield County celebration.

The Bicentennial Tour of Homes, with Bertie Ketchin as chairperson, will take place on Saturday, April 27. The tour includes 18th and 19th century homes, gardens, churches and the Fairfield County Museum. Tickets for the tour will include afternoon tea at the museum; lunch will be offered at an additional charge. Proceeds from the tour will be used towards the upkeep of the Town Clock, which houses the Chamber of Commerce office.

Fun Day on May 11, at Fortune Springs Park and the old armory, will replace Buck Fever this year, although it will not be a festival. The Fun Day will have the flavor of a county fair, with such activities as an ugly whiskers contest, a baking contest, arts and crafts show and sale,

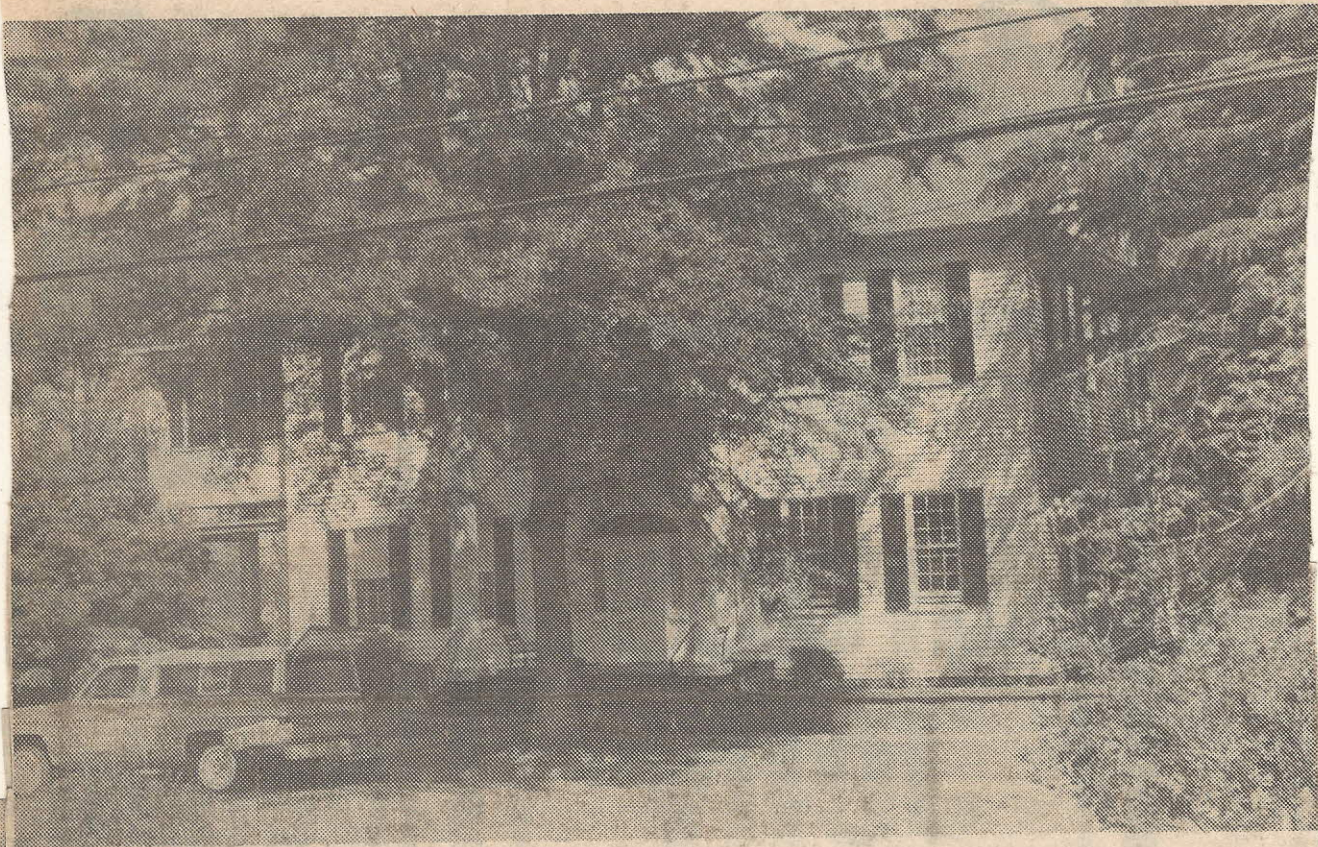
entertainment by local talent, booths with items for sale, concession stands, etc. Tentative plans call for a teen canteen in the evening, with a pantomime contest in which contestants would imitate their favorite performers. The Fun Day is in the final planning stages, and persons or groups interested in having booths for either foods or items to sell, or anyone interested in performing on the stage of the armory on that day, should contact Faye Johnson at 635-4016 or 635-9309.

The Western Fairfield committee has scheduled a patriotic, July 4th event which will include a raft race, softball tournament, horseshoes, entertainment, food concessions, and a small fireworks display. Details of this activity will be announced later.

Dates haven't been set yet, but also included in the Bicentennial celebration will be a production of the 1976 historical musical drama in the fall, and a candlelight tour of homes in December.

Bicentennial Chairperson Faye Johnson requests that all civic organizations contact her in order that a countywide calendar of events for the remainder of the year can be put together.

## On Tour...



THE JOHNSON RESIDENCE ON LIBERTY STREET



THE WILLIFORD HOUSE, NOW WINNSBORO'S TOWN HALL

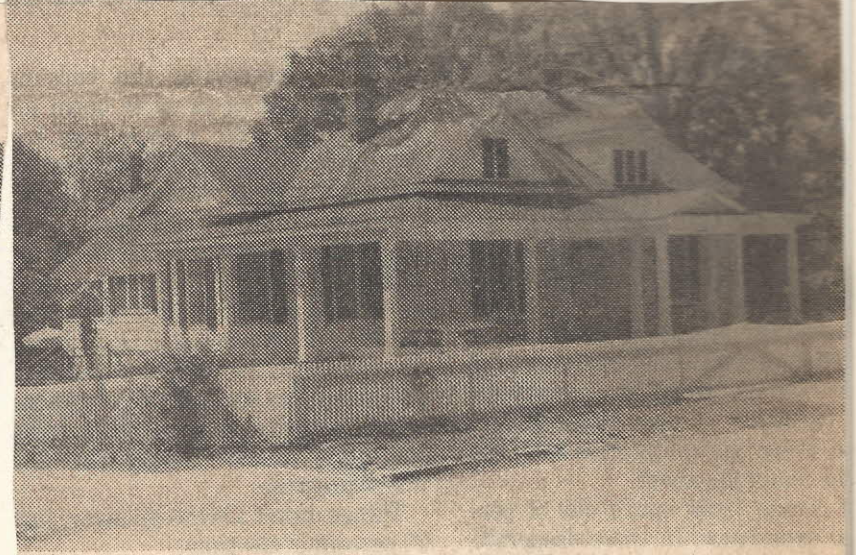


BETHEL ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE HOME OF JANET AND STEVE BRAKEFIELD ON HIGH STREET

**OPEN HOUSE** —The Fairfield County Chamber of Commerce will hold open house this Sunday from two until four o'clock, and invite citizens to come and view the newly renovated Chamber office in the Town

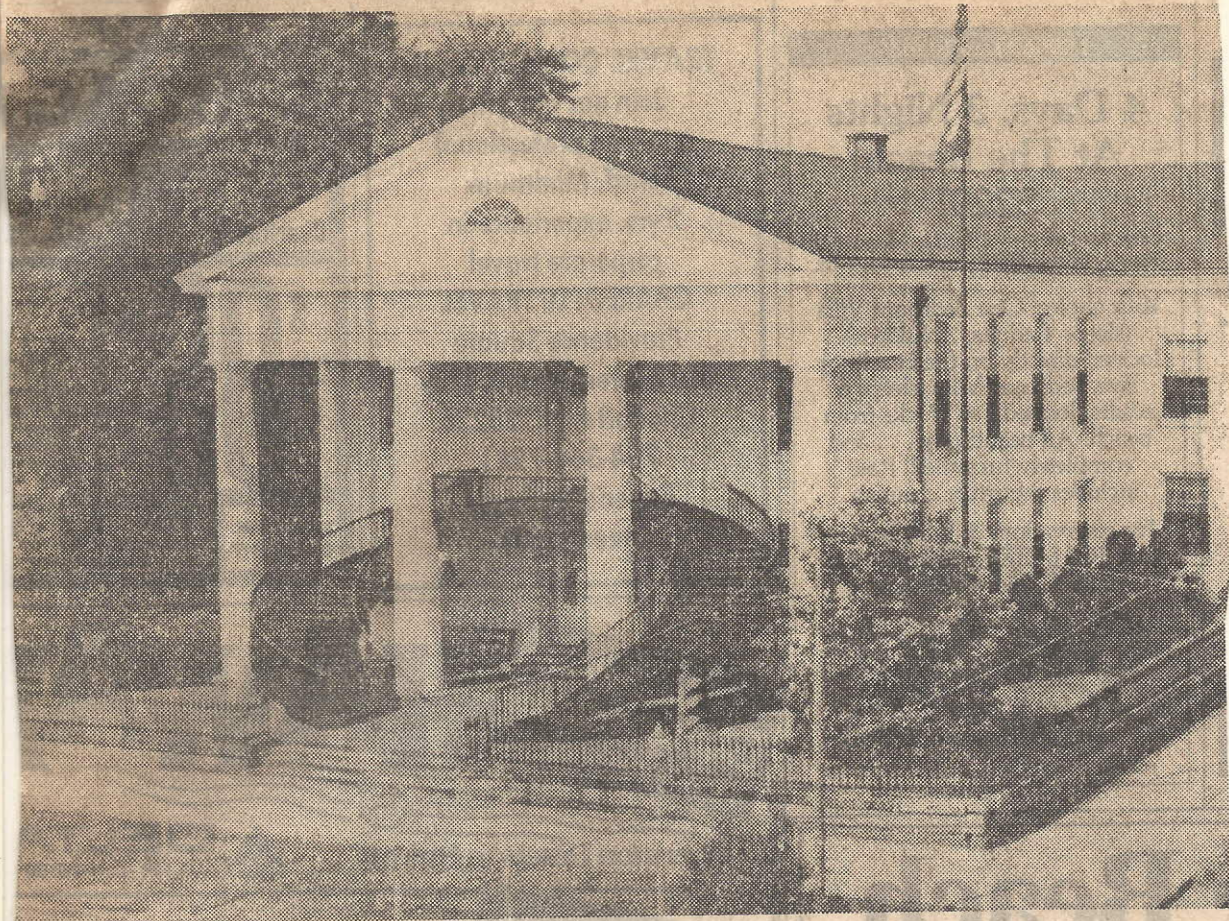
**Clock Building.** The building has been painted, floors refinished, and the Chamber office now boasts several beautiful antique furnishings. (Photo by Mike Avery)



The Searsons' Mission-style cottage on High Street



New home of the Fairfield Mental Health Clinic, S. Congress.



Winnsboro Courthouse was designed in 1820s

## It's Called 'Historic Winnsboro', And It Can Back The Claim

By LAWRENCE TOPPMAN  
Staff Writer

WINNSBORO, S.C. — If settlers in this amiable Upcountry town had been vindictive, it could be remembered today as the place Southerners really learned to hate Yankees and other foreigners.

British General Cornwallis occupied it for four months in 1780 before pushing north to Charlotte and surrendering at Yorktown. In February 1865, General Sherman's troops looted homes for food and stores for merchandise, then burned part of the town.

At first glance, this village of 2,919 looks like most places around U.S. 21, which runs 10 miles to the east. It looks that way at second glance, too. But visitors to the county seat of Fairfield County might take a little time to wander around Winnsboro.

The thing you'll most remember from a day trip here is friendliness: people giving directions, sharing history (and there's plenty), helping you back a car onto Congress Street, the main (and only) busy thoroughfare.

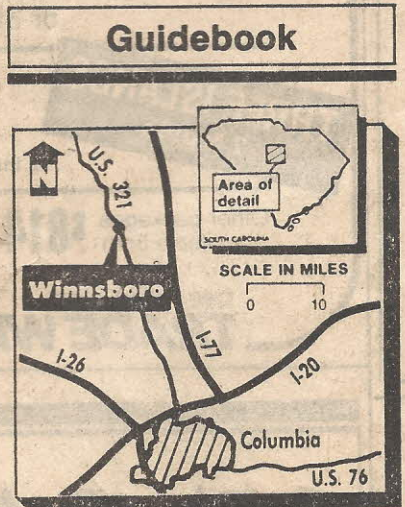
Stop by The Lamppost, where the good-natured waitresses slap mayonnaise on the cheeseburgers (not to mention chili sauce and pungent onions, if you ask for "everything") and pink pickled eggs float in a jar on the counter.

Two minutes into your fried-egg sandwich, they're telling you how to find Leitner Honey Farms, located on a country road off Route 321. (The proprietor, perhaps the only man in South Carolina to make his living entirely from bees, also sells honey through local convenience stores. You get 40 ounces for \$3.50.)

You'll have to do some driving to see local highlights. Go west on S.C. 213, and you find the Old Brick Church 10 miles away. Cactus grows in the sandy soil of the graveyard, whose lone flowers — plastic poinsettias and silk lady's slippers — adorn graves of Revolutionary and Civil War soldiers.

Ebenezer A.R.P. Church, built in 1788, became headquarters of the Associate Reformed Synod of the Carolinas and was used until 1920. Look through the dusty windows of the locked building, defaced during the Civil War, and you see high white walls, brown plank pews, no crosses or stained glass or pictures of Jesus. The interior is austere as a Shaker church and colorless as an ink drawing.

Go back toward town to find the Winnsboro Blue Granite Quarry, which you missed en route to the church. That gray stone sign resembling a tombstone points the way down a side road off 213; follow it (or the adjacent sign for St. John's Baptist Church).



Staff Map By KEN PINNOW

device and patented his version first. Captain Kincaid also grew the first tomato in the United States.

The town, named for Col. Richard Winn of the colonial army, calls itself "Historic Winnsboro" and can back the claim. Fairfield County has 200 homes at least a century old, and the chamber of commerce sponsors a tour of houses and churches in April.

The most famous landmark, the town clock, stands at Congress and Washington Streets. It last clanged regularly during the Iranian crisis, marking the return of Winnsboro native William Belk. The building once housed a public market; its bricks came from Charleston, its clockworks and bell from Alsace, France.

Across the street is the Fairfield County Courthouse, designed in

the 1820s by respected architect Robert Mills. The iron stairways that curve rakishly up to the second story were added a hundred years later, and they look like a racy gown on a dowager duchess.

They're everywhere, these venerable buildings: Fairfield County Museum (whose 2,000 items can be seen from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and 2 to 4 p.m. every second and fourth Sunday), the house dwelt in by Cornwallis, the town hall used as a girls' school.

When your brain can no longer cope with the whirl of history, join the barbers and salesmen and hangers-on who wander out to the pavements in front of the businesses at dusk, arms folded, nodding with uncurious politeness at strangers and falling into conversation if mildly encouraged.

If you want to be alone (or alone with a friend), find the decaying Armory along High Street and go two blocks behind it to Fortune Springs Gardens. There you'll sit in peace among terraced lawns, quiet pools, shade trees and waterfowl, who settle down around the benches like pets. In Winnsboro, even the ducks are friendly.

### If You're Going

You can get to Winnsboro by taking I-77 or U.S. 21 South and S.C. 200 west from Charlotte. (U.S. 321 also runs south from Gastonia right into town.) The ride takes an hour to an hour and a half, depending which way you go and how many chicken trucks get in front of your car.

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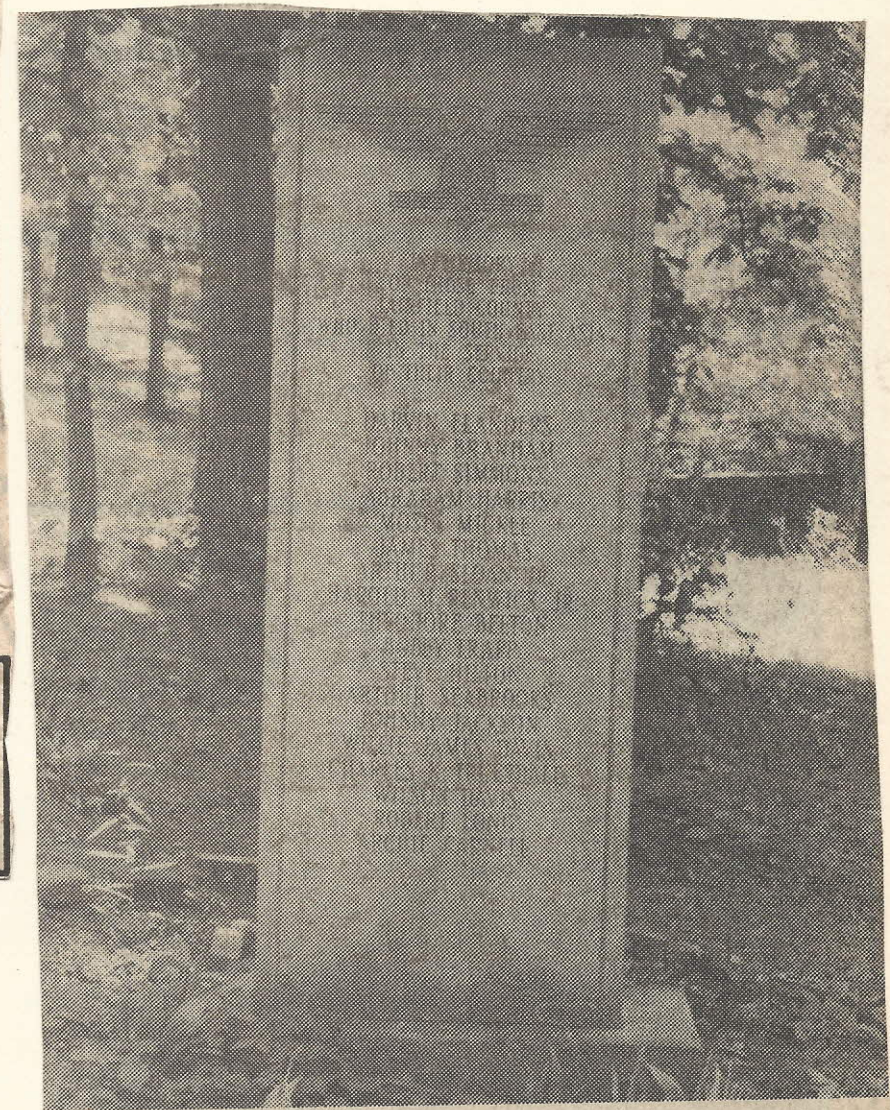
Hannah Phillips, chairman, and the other members of the Fairfield County Beautification and Community Improvement Committee, are rightfully proud of the Governor's Award they received earlier this month at an awards luncheon in Columbia. When it was announced last year that a committee had been appointed from Fairfield County to institute a beautification program, we wonder how many skeptics thought our local committee had a chance of walking off with the highest award for which the county qualified? Mrs. Phillips said at the time that her committee aimed to set their goals high and win the Governor's Award, the third level citation. (It takes ten Governor's Awards over a 15-year period to get the top honor, the Palmetto Award.)

We're proud to know that this hard-working committee did just what it set out to do. And along the way, the committee received a lot of help from the councils of Winnsboro and Fairfield County, and from organizations and individuals. The Governor's Award is a splendid example of what can be achieved by working together to improve our particular corner of the world. We all benefitted by having cleaner, prettier surroundings.

Not being one to rest upon her laurels, Hannah now is eyeing another Governor's Award, and we strongly suspect she has the Palmetto Award as the committee's ultimate goal. More power to her and the committee, because as they work towards their goals, the county will become more and more attractive, and we'll have more and more people from other areas hearing about us.

It won't be easy this coming year to top the past year; remember, Fairfield had all the improvements following the tornados to show this past year. But we can continue to improve, cleaning up an unsightly dump here, a grown-up vacant lot there, keeping our roadsides clear of litter, painting up, fixing up.

There is a formal committee, but we think all of us need to consider ourselves a part of an informal committee, and strive in every way possible to make our county a better place in which to live.



THE VIETNAM MEMORIAL IN FORTUNE SPRINGS PARK

# Fairfield's White Oak Now Listed on National Register of Historic Places

By Becky Wooten

The charming community of White Oak in this county boasting of historic old home places, large oak trees, and more than a book of tales from pre and post Civil War days now adds another feather in its proverbial cap.

In late January, chairman of the Fairfield County Historical Commission Mrs. Hannah P. Phillips was notified by the State Historic Preservation officer that White Oak was "a new listing in the National Register of Historic Places".

The entire district of White Oak qualified for this honor and now joins the four blocks in Winnsboro and several homes in Ridgeway and others throughout the county in the National Register.

Application for this award was made by Mrs. Phillips not only in her capacity as chairman of the county's historical commission but also as a former White Oak resident, born and reared there as the daughter of the noted history buff, Killough H. Patrick.

"We are so excited and honored to receive this news from the state," Mrs. Phillips said. "Being on the national register can benefit the property owners of White Oak in many ways."

The National Register of Historic Places is a program of the National Park Service within the U.S. Department of the Interior. It is part of a national policy to coordinate and support public and private efforts to identify, evaluate, and protect cultural and natural resources.

Listing in the National Register makes property owners eligible for federal grants-in-aid for preservation. It also makes owners who rehabilitate certified historic properties eligible for federal tax benefits.

"To qualify for this honor, your house or district must be at least 50 years old," Mrs. Phillips explained.

Mrs. Phillips worked closely with Columbia-based historic preservation planner Nancy Fox. Mrs. Fox came to White Oak and took photographs and listened carefully to the history connected with the

ARP Church, railroad, post office and certain houses there.

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## Historic Places



ON REGISTER — White Oak A.R.P. Church is among the many historical buildings in White Oak which has now been listed in the National Register of Historic Places. (Photo by Pam Lewis)



File Photo

### The pesky Southern kudzu at its best on house in Blair

Researcher says the weed could grow 40 percent more in the next century.

## Expert expects more kudzu in 21st century

North Carolina and other Southern states, a researcher said Thursday.

Tom Sasek, a researcher at Duke University, said he has found kudzu loves carbon dioxide, the invisible gas that plants need for photosynthesis. Sasek, a doctoral candidate in botany, said kudzu "sucks up" the gas.

That means kudzu, which enjoys a peculiar status in the South on the order of grits in abundance and carpetbaggers in desirability, will be more abundant as the atmospheric level

can grow up to 10 inches a day. The further south it is, the faster it grows, he said.

"Kudzu has a lot of leaf area," Sasek said. "It's very efficient at capturing sunlight."

Sasek placed kudzu on a high carbon dioxide diet at Duke's Phytoton, a controlled-climate botanical laboratory operated by the university for the National Science Foundation.

At a carbon dioxide level of 675 parts per million, double the present atmospheric level but one expected to be reached in the next century,

level has been rising since the Industrial Revolution in the 19th century because of the burning of fossil fuels. Carbon dioxide is the main product of combustion.

Kudzu was brought to the United States from East Asia about a century ago as a source of cattle fodder and for erosion control. The vine was planted extensively in the 1930s by the U.S. Soil Conservation Service, but by the 1960s the plant had become such a pest in Southern fields and along roadsides that it was declared a weed.

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**Lewis  
 Descendants  
 Gather**

Descendants of Thomas Walter Lewis and Mary Ellen Street Lewis of Winnsboro gathered at the old "homeplace" at Greenbrier on December 15, for their annual Christmas party and Christmas tree.

The old home, originally owned by Thomas Walter Lewis and afterward by his son, the late Lunceford Blaydes Lewis, passed down to granddaughters and daughters, respectively, Mrs. Gary Bass, Jr., of Winnsboro, Mrs. Carl Bates, Rock Hill, and Mrs. Jules Corey, Matthews, N.C., who with Mrs. Marjorie P. Lewis were hostesses for the event. Ms. Adelaide Brooks of Rion played Christmas carols during the afternoon.

The home was beautifully decorated with flowers and garlands and a towering Christmas tree loaded with gifts. Preceding the one o'clock meal, the Christmas story was read from the old, Street family Bible by John McNair Turner of Florence, and the traditional prayer, composed by the late E.V. "Brick" Lewis, was recited by Carl Bates, Rock Hill. Grace was pronounced by E. Burr Lewis of Winnsboro, oldest member of the family.

Following dinner, gifts were distributed.

Forty family members were present. In addition to those from Winnsboro, they came from Charlotte, Hickory, Shelby, and Sunset Beach, N.C., and Florence, Greenwood, Donalds, Rock Hill, Columbia, and Charleston. Youngest member was one-year-old Lunceford Lewis Bass, Jr. of Hickory, N.C.

The 1986 Christmas party will be held at Fairfield, home of Mr. and Mrs. Crosby Lewis.

**Reunion  
 Held**

A reunion of Turner Warren and Delilah Strickland descendants was held September 21, in Columbia.

J.E. Turkett welcomed everyone and recognized the oldest family member attending, Mrs. Ruth Byrd, 92, and the youngest, Berry Gayle Deaton, 3. About seventy members were present.

After a picnic basket lunch, everyone enjoyed a period of fellowship, family history and picture taking.

Present from Fairfield County were Ruth, Ellen, and Jessie Lee Turkett, Mr. and Mrs. William Turkett, Herbie Turkett, Mrs. Ruth Turkett Byrd, Mrs. Jimmie Keener, and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Stevenson.

Plans were made to meet again next year, at a date and place to be scheduled later.

**Stevenson  
 Reunion News**

Approximately 100 members of the Stevenson-Turner clan gathered at Lebanon Presbyterian Church on May 17, for the fourth family reunion. David Lee Stevenson and Anna Jane Turner were married on December 15, 1885. David was the son of James Weir and Sara Brown Stevenson and the grandson of James Stevenson (born December 1786, Antrim, Ireland) and Eleanor Weir (born 1794, at Camden District, S.C.)

Anna was the daughter of Dr. William Kennedy Turner and Elizabeth Lemmon and the granddaughter of James Lemmon (born 1797, County Down, Ireland).

David and Anna settled in the Lebanon Community of Fairfield County. They had five children: Edward Lee, William James, Leonard O'Rion, Anne Elizabeth and Nina Earline. All the children married and settled in the Lebanon Community except Annie (Castles) who settled in the Greenbrier Community.

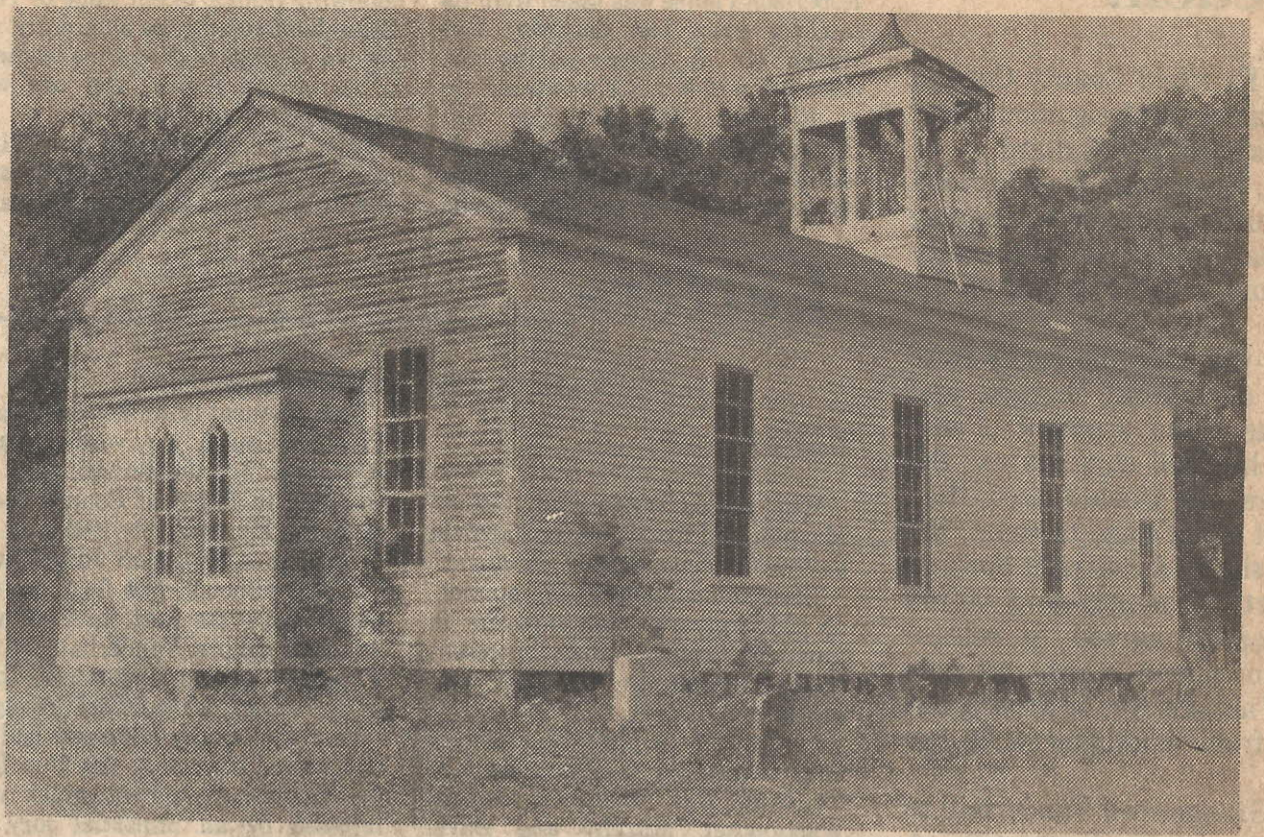
The only two living children, Mrs. Annie S. Castles and Mrs. Nina S. Mc. Watson, attended and all grandchildren, except three of Leonard Stevenson's children were also present.

Arrangements for this reunion were made by the

1985 president, Miss Edna Castles. Robert Castles of Columbia presided, Mrs. Lola S. Dove gave the devotional; Mrs. Margie Mc. Shealy, secretary, read the minutes and the treasurer's report was made by Ed L. Stevenson. During the business, presided over by James Castles, members of the historical committee gave reports on the different families.

Officers elected for 1986 are Mrs. Pamela F. Rambo, president; re-elected were Mrs. Margie Mc. Shealy, secretary and Ed L. Stevenson, treasurer; and the historical committeemen are Mrs. Ann S. Dixon, chairman, and members, Miss Elsie Castles, Mrs. Jayne S. Cudd, Mrs. Emmy S. Fellers, Mrs. Annie Mc. Fritz and Mrs. Gale S. Lyles.

The 1986 reunion will be held the four Sunday in April, which is April 27, at Lebanon Presbyterian Church.



RUFF'S OLD CHAPEL IS ONE OF CHURCHES ON TOUR.

(Photo by Faye Johnson)

**Historical Society Promotes Tour**

In observance of Fairfield County's 200th anniversary celebration, the Fairfield County Historical Society is presenting a tour of Ridgeway this Sunday, October 27, from 3 until 5 p.m. It will be free to all and will feature an open house at Ridgeway's three most historic churches. Also open will be the Century House, part

of the downtown Ridgeway section that is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Visitors are requested to meet at the Century House where directions will be given to visit St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Aimwell Presbyterian Church, and Ruff's Chapel. Directions will also include

instructions for visiting other historic places in the Ridgeway area by car.

The Society has sent cards to its 180 members, inviting them to participate, and bring their friends. Refreshments will be served at the Century House.

**Burley-Crawford Reunion Held**

The annual Burley-Crawford family reunion was held June 23, at Lebanon Presbyterian Church's fellowship building.

Betty Sanders, president, called the meeting to order and presided over a short devotional and business meeting. Marion Fetner gave the opening prayer, and special music by Kay Owens was enjoyed. Mrs. Sanders announced the loss of one member.

Officers for next year are: Ronnie Burley of Hartsville, president; Betty Sanders of Winnsboro, vice-president; Earline McMillian of Columbia, secretary; and Joe Burley of Monticello, treasurer.

The Franklin Burley family came the longest distance, from Indiana. Mrs. Edith Burley was the oldest member attending, and Baby Jerrod Mills was the youngest.

The family has added two new members, Chris

Hanna of Kingstree and Sammie Burley of Columbia. The marriage of Amy Robinson and Timmy Peake was registered. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kissamon of Orangeburg were attending for the first time.

The social hour was spent in learning more about the Burley family and visiting with relatives.

# Thomas Co. Observes 100 Years of

# Operation

By Cathryn Kennedy

With the birth of the new year, the Thomas Company of Ridgeway has ushered in its second centennial of sales and service to the community.

Begun as the I.C. Thomas Company by Isaac Thomas in 1885, the store sold general merchandise of every description. Trade was conducted on a seasonal credit basis. "Uncle Ike", as he was affectionately known, sold staples throughout the year and collected payment in the fall when cotton was harvested.

In the early years of the 20th century, Thomas & Company gave full-time employment to between six and eight adult men, including A. Talley Moore, Reid Brown, Jones Magill, Albert Coleman, Prioleau Scott, Samuel P. Thomas, and Robert Charlton Thomas, as well as the owner, Isaac Thomas. "Mr. Ike", as he was known to his clerks, encouraged his sales people to buy stock in the store, which several did. This enabled them to share in the profits of the business. Later on, they sold their stock back to members of the Thomas family.

Back in those early days, business, and therefore Ridgeway, was booming. By the opening years of the 20th century, the town was a flourishing cotton-buying and mercantile center. Six-mule wagon teams hauled fifteen to twenty 500-lb. bales of cotton to the cotton yard at the Ridgeway railway depot, where at least six cotton buyers competed with each other to buy the cotton before it was unloaded. The five

large mercantile establishments of Ruff, Wray, Ruff & Edmunds, Johnson, and Thomas supplied every need of farmers over a twenty-mile square area of lower Fairfield County, and parts of Richland and Kershaw counties. The Bank of Ridgeway, now the oldest bank in Fairfield County, was opened with Uncle Ike as vice-president, while numerous small and specialized businesses flourished along Main Street and Railroad Ave. (now Palmer St. and Dogwood Dr.). The prosperous community of 400-500 population boasted two doctors, pharmacies and pharmacists, a dentist, butchers, several grocery stores, a shoe-repair shop, barber shop, ice house, candy and bread stores, a gunsmith, blacksmith, livery stable, mortuary, masonic hall, post office, and hotel. There were also a cotton gin, saw mill, and flour mill. A new public school was built on the site of the old building on Church Street, a second bank, the Farmers and Merchants was opened, and a weekly newspaper, *The Fairfield News*, was published for a year or more in Ridgeway.

### Isaac Thomas

Isaac Couturier Thomas was born in 1853 at Mount Hope, the family plantation near Ridgeway. His people had come to Ridgeway from the town of St. Stephens in the low country. Too young to serve in the War Between the States, Isaac nevertheless remembered how, as a young boy of ten, he watched Sherman's march through Ridgeway, and the pillage of Mt. Hope by Union soldiers while his mother and sisters, aunts and cousins shut themselves up anxiously in the parlor, fearing for their safety and wondering whether their home would be burned.

As a young man, Isaac Thomas began his business career as a clerk and bookkeeper in a mercantile store in Doko, now Blythewood. He then worked briefly with the A.F. Ruff Company at Ridgeway before starting his own business. Before 1855 he rented a small building at the corner of Church and Main streets in Ridgeway, just across from the present Thomas Company store. He soon built the two-story frame store on the corner, facing Main Street at Church Street, now the site of the present brick store, erected in 1911. The earlier frame building was moved east, facing Church Street, and used as a warehouse for the main store until it became an antique shop ten years ago.

Operated for fifteen years as the I.C. Thomas Company, Merchant and Cotton Buyer, the name was changed to Thomas & Company when Uncle Ike's nephew, Robert Charlton Thomas joined him in the business. Later, the name was changed to The Thomas Company, Inc., which it holds to the present day.

Over the years, Uncle Ike built a reputation for honesty, fairness, and integrity which has been handed down from generation to generation, and which The Thomas Co. still enjoys to this day. Always known for just a moderate mark-up on prices, Uncle Ike never allowed his clerks to mark up more than a certain percentage, even when he was able to get higher prices for his merchandise. Although Uncle Ike operated on the "lien system", he only took his payments in crops or articles which were not family necessities, despite the current practice of some merchants of his day who would foreclose on the family milk cow or

mule, leaving people in disastrous circumstances.

Present day families of great-grandchildren of the first I.C. Thomas Co. customers trade in the store because their families have traded there for generations, and that's a long time to keep customers happy. Many local people were reared in houses completely furnished with furniture and appliances bought at the store. It's obvious that a special rapport between customer and store has grown and flourished down through the centennial years.

### Four Generations

Uncle Ike retired from Thomas & Co. before his death in 1921, and Robert Charlton Thomas headed the company until his death in 1951. His son, Robert Walton Thomas (Bob), joined the firm in 1933, two years out of college and having some experience in sales with Watkins Products. Bob began working in the store for \$40 a month. In 1934, he borrowed \$750 to buy 10 percent of the store. At that time his great-uncle owned 20 percent and his father owned 70 percent. He gradually acquired more stock, and after 1951, when his father died, Bob became president of the company, began buying out his brothers' and sisters' shares, and became sole owner of the business in 1961. Robert Walton Thomas, Jr., (Robert) joined his father in the family business in 1969, after a three-year sojourn of study in Germany following his graduation from the University of the South. He is the fourth generation of this family to have operated the mercantile business during the last 100 years.

In addition to family members, The Thomas Company has given a number of young people employment on a part-time and fulltime basis. This has allowed them to complete advanced education and go on to varied careers in sales and service. This list includes, among others, Sam and Rebecca Dixon, Claudie Cooper, Wesley Starnes, Montez Hudson, Mary Carolyn Peay and Georgia Peay.

Present-day employees include Manager Sam Stevenson, who has been with the business about 14 years; Norris Hare, in charge of deliveries and appliance installation, who has faithfully served the company for 41 years; Robert W. Thomas, Jr.; Laura Thomas, vice-president; and Robert W. Thomas, Sr., president, retired.

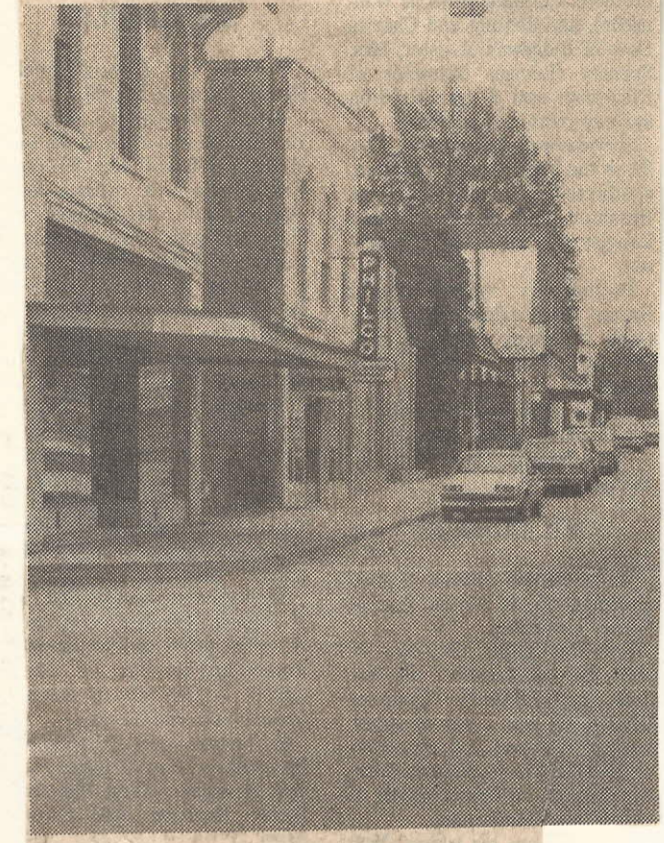
The years have seen the business change. It ceased to buy cotton in the mid-1930s, after the sale of electric appliances became an important part of the business. Farm supplies are now a small part of the stock, although a wide assortment of household items continue to fill the shelves, including work clothes and boots, shoes, groceries, heaters, kerosene, window shades and curtain rods, and lawn items.

Mrs. Laura Thomas, who now takes care of the office work and bookkeeping, feels there is still a place for the general store. Offering merchandise on credit to people in the community at moderate credit terms allows those on limited salaries to have a better standard of living; says Mrs. Thomas. People like to be able to buy at home and enjoy modern appliances. Mrs. Thomas adds, "The store has always tried to be good to the community, and the community has always been loyal to the store." And that is why the

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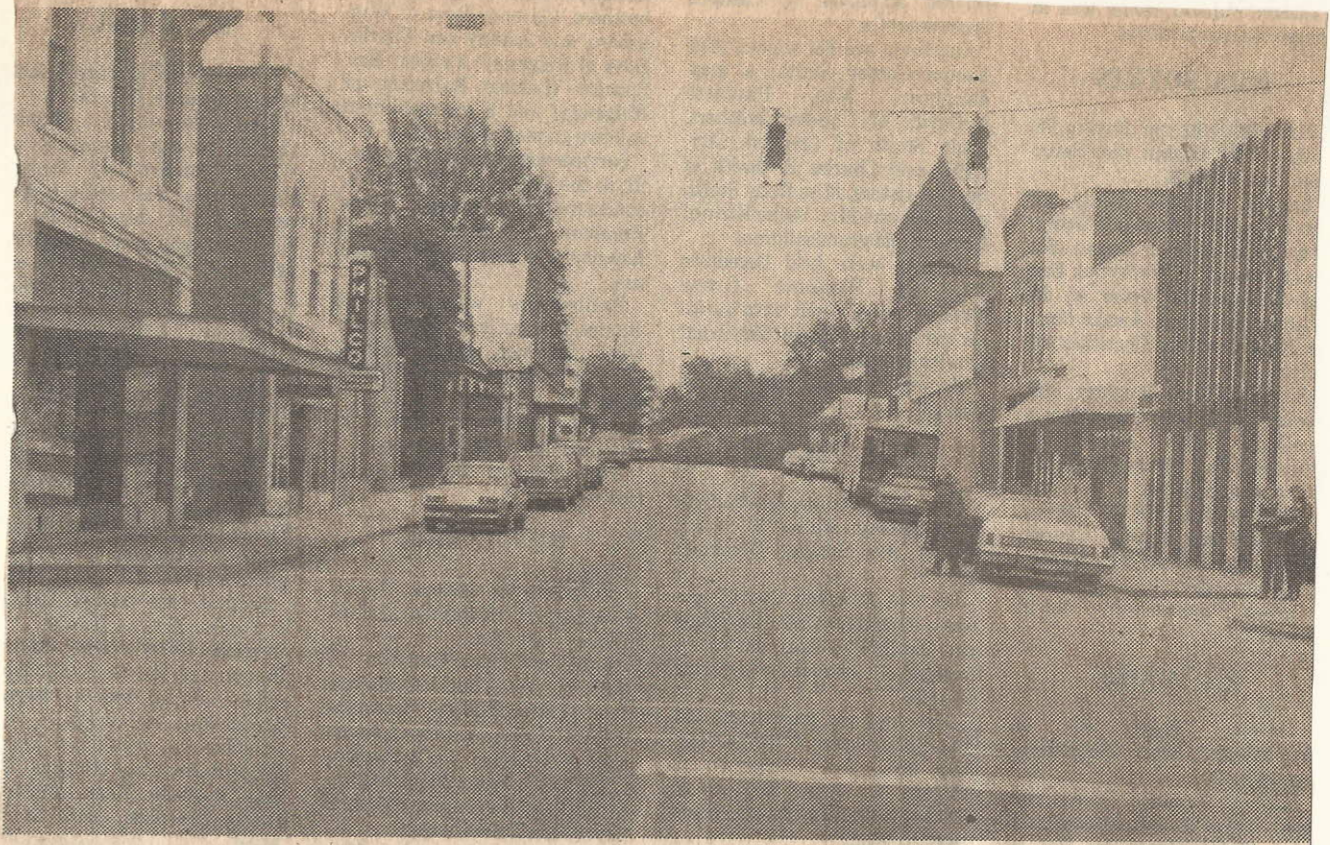


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**COURTEOUS SERVICE THROUGH THE YEARS** — Store founder Isaac Thomas' great-great nephew, Robert W. Thomas, Jr., extends the same courteous service to customers today, as did "Uncle Ike" during the store's earlier years.



**RIDGEWAY'S MAIN STREET TODAY** — This photo was taken recently, showing the same view as the 1912 photo.



**TODAY** — This is how the Thomas Company looks today. Standing in the doorway are Mrs. Laura Thomas, vice-president, and Sam Stevenson, manager.



**RIDGEWAY MAIN STREET, 1919** - This is how Ridgeway's main street looked in the early part of this century. The Thomas Company is on the immediate left, with Wilson's Store next door. On right are Wray's Store; Kennedy's Store; Bank of Ridgeway; and, top floor of bank, Masonic Temple.

# Movie speaks to deaf people

By DOTTIE ASHLEY  
State Staff Writer

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Consider the small, ordinary moments, the ones that poets often celebrate — the sound of waves washing ashore, the call of a whippoorwill at dusk, the laughter of a child.

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## Parents and daughter

Pat Goff pays a visit to her deaf parents, Sarah and Pierce Mason.

about her situation, in spite of an obviously loving husband and a successful, bright daughter.

Some hearing children of deaf parents hope this depiction won't present a stereotyped portrait of what the deaf are really like.

A family situation that closely parallels some aspects of *Love Is Never Silent* is that of Sarah and Pierce Mason and their daughter Pat Goff.

Like Margaret, the girl in *Love Is Never Silent*, Mrs. Goff was an only child and, at a young age, she took on lots of the responsibilities of being a hearing child with deaf parents.

But the similarity to the movie stops there.

"When I was 4 or 5 years old, I remember crying because other children wouldn't come in my yard to play because my parents were 'different,'" said Mrs. Goff. "But then, when they got to know them as loving, open people, my yard became like a playground with all my friends coming to visit."

Mrs. Goff, who is manager of consumer affairs in the public relations office of Southern Bell, said she feels fortunate to have grown up in a deaf family "because you learn to love others outside of the family." She said this has also helped in her job because one of her duties is helping secure communication devices for the

Although completely deaf since the age of 3 from spinal meningitis, Mrs. Mason lip reads, uses sign language and employs some limited speech, which her daughter can readily understand.

"I have never really felt that it was a burden to take on responsibilities such as telephoning or interpreting for my parents," said Ms. Goff. "But when I was a child, I had to make up my own charades, my own kind of sign language to let them know what I wanted, and sometimes it was very frustrating."

USING SIGN LANGUAGE, Mrs. Mason told Mrs. Goff that she had liked *Love Is Never Silent* and that it made her cry because it reminded her of how wonderful her own daughter had been to them and how much help she was.

But when Mrs. Goff was an infant, help came from another quarter. The family's mixed-breed dog, Chip, would alert the parents whenever their daughter cried in the night. Chip also ran to alert them when the doorbell rang, a task now performed by flashing lights in their home.

"Chip lived to be 14 and was a life saver," said Mrs. Goff. "My parents don't have a pet now because they enjoy traveling."

Both Masons are active members of the South Carolina Association for

professor in the sociology department at the University of South Carolina and author of the book *Outsiders in a Hearing World*, also grew up in a home with deaf parents.

"I applaud Hallmark and NBC TV for airing *Love Is Never Silent* because I think it may make people think about the situation of the deaf," said Higgins. "However, all situations are different, just as people are different, and I don't think that people should get a distorted view of what it is like to be around deaf people."

Higgins, whose parents both speak out loud and use sign language, were teachers at Gallaudet College in Washington, D.C., the only liberal arts college for the deaf in the world.

"I GREW UP in a very warm, loving home, and I never really felt that great a responsibility for my parents," said Higgins, whose father watched the show from his Washington home.

"My father called and said he liked the movie and was glad it was done, but he didn't want people to think that all deaf parents are like the couple in the movie," said Higgins. "Many deaf people cope quite well with their situation."

Another Columbian who watched



## Brant family portrait

From left, Alton, Mollie, Johnathon, Josh, Harrison, Francis and Ginny. Francis and Mollie Brant are the deaf parents of Alton.

now pursuing a doctorate at USC to continue his work with the deaf.

BRANT SAID THE MOVIE was authentic in that the church scene showed only deaf people in the congregation.

"My father told me that until the early '60s, the deaf met separately from the rest of the congregation," he said. "They were not officially on the role of the church."

"Barbara Porter (who started the ministry to the deaf at the First Baptist Church in Columbia) did a great deal to change that locally in the early '60s and to integrate the deaf into the mainstream of the church. "However, it used to be that the deaf met for their sermon in the afternoon after everyone else had gone home," he said.

Brant said he also did not agree with the scene in the movie at the daughter's graduation, which showed the parents being too embarrassed to sign because of being made fun of by others.

"My parents were never afraid or ashamed to sign," he said. "They were and still are proud and dignified."

"I feel that the way the parents did not want the girl to get married was just not indicative of the way a deaf

Photos by Joe Jackson/The State

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ashamed, according to his father,

"My father told me that when he was growing up that his parents didn't want him to use sign language in public because they were ashamed," she said. "My father's parents were both deaf."

MS. JACQUES, WHO works as secretary at the S.C. Association of the Deaf, said, "I've never been ashamed of either my father or my two brothers who are deaf. It's just never occurred to me."

Caroline Grant, whose mother, Dolly Grubbs, 70, is deaf, said she thought *Love Is Never Silent* had some "very realistic moments, especially in showing the subtleties and nuances of speech that the deaf simply can't comprehend."

"I disagree with the aspect of the movie which never showed the deaf couple with any of their deaf friends," said Mrs. Grant.

"I think the deaf have more friends than hearing people, and they take a great interest in each other. Once I took my mother to a graduation at the Carolina Coliseum and she saw a woman signing. She ran right over to the woman and introduced herself — she had made an instant acquaintance. The deaf have their own extended family."

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ON A RECENT pleasant afternoon, Mrs. Goff drove up in her parents' yard, where her father, now retired from his maintenance position at Columbia College, was raking leaves. She was greeted at the door by Mrs. Mason, 71, who is also retired after working for 22 years at the college.

Although completely deaf since the age of 3 from spinal meningitis, Mrs. Mason lip reads, uses sign language and employs some limited speech, which her daughter can readily understand.

"I have never really felt that it was a burden to take on responsibilities such as telephoning or interpreting for my parents," said Mrs. Goff. "But when I was a child, I had to make up my own charades, my own kind of sign language to let them know what I wanted, and sometimes it was very frustrating."

USING SIGN LANGUAGE, Mrs. Mason told Mrs. Goff that she had liked *Love Is Never Silent* and that it made her cry because it reminded her of how wonderful her own daughter had been to them and how much help she was.

But when Mrs. Goff was an infant, help came from another quarter. The family's mixed-breed dog, Chip, would alert the parents whenever their daughter cried in the night. Chip also ran to alert them when the doorbell rang, a task now performed by flashing lights in their home.

"Chip lived to be 14 and was a life saver," said Mrs. Goff. "My parents don't have a pet now because they enjoy traveling."

Both Masons are active members of the South Carolina Association for

the Deaf, and they often travel to Charleston for parties sponsored by the association. They also attend St. Paul's Lutheran Church, which has an active deaf ministry.

"I hope people will know that deaf people have lots of friends and their lives are not empty in the way that movie showed it," said Mrs. Goff.

DR. PAUL C. HIGGINS, a professor in the sociology department at the University of South Carolina and author of the book *Outsiders in a Hearing World*, also grew up in a home with deaf parents.

"I applaud Hallmark and NBC TV for airing *Love Is Never Silent* because I think it may make people think about the situation of the deaf," said Higgins. "However, all situations are different, just as people are different, and I don't think that people should get a distorted view of what it is like to be around deaf people."

Higgins, whose parents both speak out loud and use sign language, were teachers at Gallaudet College in Washington, D.C., the only liberal arts college for the deaf in the world.

"I GREW UP in a very warm, loving home, and I never really felt that great a responsibility for my parents," said Higgins, whose father watched the show from his Washington home.

"My father called and said he liked the movie and was glad it was done, but he didn't want people to think that all deaf parents are like the couple in the movie," said Higgins. "Many deaf people cope quite well with their situation."

Another Columbian who watched

the movie with special interest was Alton Brant, whose parents, Mollie and Francis Brant, have been deaf since they were small children.

"I enjoyed *Love Is Never Silent*, but my experience was very different in that my parents pushed me to go into the hearing world, and they were not bitter at all," said Brant, who has worked with the deaf at the S.C. School for the Deaf and Blind and is now pursuing a doctorate at USC to continue his work with the deaf.

BRANT SAID THE MOVIE was authentic in that the church scene showed only deaf people in the congregation.

"My father told me that until the early '60s, the deaf met separately from the rest of the congregation," he said. "They were not officially on the role of the church."

"Barbara Porter (who started the ministry to the deaf at the First Baptist Church in Columbia) did a great deal to change that locally in the early '60s and to integrate the deaf into the mainstream of the church. "However, it used to be that the deaf met for their sermon in the afternoon after everyone else had gone home," he said.

Brant said he also did not agree with the scene in the movie at the daughter's graduation, which showed the parents being too embarrassed to sign because of being made fun of by others.

"My parents were never afraid or ashamed to sign," he said. "They were and still are proud and dignified."

"I feel that the way the parents did not want the girl to get married was just not indicative of the way a deaf

person would react," said Brant. "These were obviously overprotective, not very supportive parents, and you can have bad parents whether they are deaf or not. Certainly, in the movie they were shown as narrow and paranoid."

Some deaf people were ashamed of their condition in the past, according to Leah Jacques, 20, whose father, Franklin Jacques, is deaf.

"My father told me that when he was growing up that his parents didn't want him to use sign language in public because they were ashamed," she said. "My father's parents were both deaf."

MS. JACQUES, WHO works as secretary at the S.C. Association of the Deaf, said, "I've never been ashamed of either my father or my two brothers who are deaf. It's just never occurred to me."

Caroline Grant, whose mother, Dolly Grubbs, 70, is deaf, said she thought *Love Is Never Silent* had some "very realistic moments, especially in showing the subtleties and nuances of speech that the deaf simply can't comprehend."

"I disagree with the aspect of the movie which never showed the deaf couple with any of their deaf friends," said Mrs. Grant.

"I think the deaf have more friends than hearing people, and they take a great interest in each other. Once I took my mother to a graduation at the Carolina Coliseum and she saw a woman signing. She ran right over to the woman and introduced herself — she had made an instant acquaintance. The deaf have their own extended family."

## Program aids deaf children

The South Carolina Telephone Pioneers, the state chapter of a service organization representing all telecommunications companies in the country, has been extremely active in raising money for the South Carolina School for the Deaf and Blind in Spartanburg.

Mrs. Patricia Goff, an active member of the organization, said the organization raised \$70,000 last year to refurbish the dormitories at the school.

This year, as their project, the Telephone Pioneers have adopted a Parent-Infant Program, which assists parents with hearing impaired children from birth to age 4.

"It is very important that a child be properly fitted with a hearing aid at a very young age because this can affect him for the rest of his life," said Mrs. Goff. "We have raised \$8,000 for this purpose, and we also teach the children sign language."

She said civic clubs that would like to have a speaker come and tell their organization more about the Parent-Infant Program may call Carol Mabry at the School for the Deaf and Blind at 1-585-7711.

# Surprise selection

## Magazine article was unexpected honor

By Linda Shrieves  
Staff writer

Soon after the May issue of Good Housekeeping came out, Susan Aude Fisher rushed out to buy about 10 copies.

Not for the recipes, mind you. Mrs. Fisher, the amiable anchorwoman at WIS-TV news, was hunting for copies to send her parents and grandparents. After all, the magazine picked her as one of its "100 Young Women of Promise," along with the likes of Mary Cunningham, Mary Lou Retton, actress Debra Winger, astronaut Anna Fisher and television reporters Kathleen Sullivan and Maria Shriver.

Nominated for the honor by the national office of American Women in Radio and Television, Mrs. Fisher was neither told of her nomination nor of her win. "A viewer called one day and said, 'Hey, did you know you're in Good Housekeeping this month?' Well, I had no idea," she said.

"This really is a big honor and a real nice surprise," the 32-year-old anchorwoman said. "It's especially nice for my parents because, after the accident, they weren't sure what I was going to do and how I would manage."

"The accident" occurred 11 years ago when Mrs. Fisher and two friends from Erskine College were in a car accident. The small vehicle in which they were riding was hit by a large truck. One of the women died; Mrs. Fisher's spinal cord was severed.

That she is in a wheelchair might surprise new viewers who don't notice the back of the wheelchair occasionally poking up from behind the set. Regular viewers, however, have watched over the past eight years as she moved from weekend weather girl (her term) and reporter to a full-time anchor position. And if she's had any trouble doing all of the above, you'd never know it.

"I think a lot of people don't realize what an active, mobile person I am. I think people forget that some disabled people are very active. They think everybody sits at home."

In the hallways of WIS-TV, the wheelchair is a familiar — if not fleeting — sight. "I need a speed limit around here," she said laughing. "I'm always racing down the halls."

For the handicapped, a career in television news has often seemed unrealistic. After all, it is called the medium of the perfect face, the perfect hair, the perfect person. So when a young, wheelchair-bound Susan Aude went to the University of South Carolina College of Journalism for graduate work and decided she wanted to be in television, there were more than a few naysayers.

"Some people asked me, 'How are you going to cover a fire? How are you going to do all this?' But I never really listened. They were telling me to get into radio after I was already in the (television) program, anyway. And I didn't see myself as different. I think I didn't know better. I'd just brush off their warnings."

She landed a reporting job at WIS soon after she finished up at USC, and Mrs. Fisher gives the station a lot of credit for taking a chance on her. "They put me on the air, with no experience, and let me make my mistakes and learn from them."

Other handicapped journalists have not had the same luck. When Patti Just Long, a handicapped announcer for the South Carolina Radio Network, was hunting for a



Susan Aude Fisher and her 2-year-old daughter, Blythe, read together often.

television job after college, she met a station manager who told her she'd never work in television because of her wheelchair.

Time has tempered both Mrs. Fisher's idealism (her van once sported a wheel cover that depicted a power fist inside a wheelchair) and her ambition. Several years ago, she told an interviewer that her career goal was to become a network correspondent.

Now, she looks back at those dreams with realism. "I guess that's the dream of every television reporter. But it would mean a lot of sacrifices, even if I could get the job. And, I have really come to enjoy having a home in Columbia, South Carolina, and having friends and family here. It's a good feeling, and I don't think I would

give it all up for such an unusual job. Unusual, however, is relative. About 11:30 p.m. may seem a little late for a young person, but for Mrs. Fisher and her 2-year-old daughter, Blythe, it's fine. She now has all morning to spend with her old daughter, Blythe.

"I actually have more time when I was anchoring the Mid-Day O'Clock show because then I would be home at 8:30 and she'd be cranky and ready to go. I have all morning and part of the afternoon around, do errands and be with her. When Kevin gets home, he t

How often have you driven down the highway and seen some pretty plants you'd love to have in your garden? For some reason, the highway between Columbia and Charlotte seems to have lots of brightly colored things growing by the side of the road. Well, you can have these plants in your yard if you go about systematically.

These plants are often not available in nurseries and garden centers, so you will have to grow your own by collecting wild seeds or making cuttings.

"Wildflowers in South Carolina" Dr. Wade Batson is a good reference to help you decide which native plants and flowers you want in your garden. The paperback, available locally, has good color photos to help you identify things that grow in the wild or along the roadside.

To collect wild seeds, study the flower or plant while it is in bloom. Place a stake next to each plant from which you will be collecting seeds. This will help you find the plant easily

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"When Kevin gets home, he takes over. And I have

a housekeeper who helps out in between. For us, it works  
out really well. I guess you have to be flexible and have  
a husband who understands."

While Mrs. Fisher is quick to credit her employer  
with giving her an opportunity, she also knows it takes  
hard work to succeed.

"After the accident, I became more independent  
although you would think you'd become more dependent  
... But it made me more determined to do things on my  
own. It's also been more of a challenge (to succeed).  
Before, things came easily to me. I never really had to  
try very hard. But when things get turned upside down  
in your life, you have to work much harder.

"You have to overcome these obstacles and still carry  
on a normal life."

# Bessie Alston Celebrates 101 Years of Memories

By Becky Wooten

When baby Bessie was born in Fairfield County to Issac and Laura Alston, there were 38 states in the Union and Grover Cleveland had just been elected the first Democratic president since the Civil War. The year was 1884.

Now, 101 years later, baby Bessie Alston is great-grandma Bessie Gladney, widow of the late Robert Gladney. She was the mother of seven children - five are still living - ten grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

Last week her family gathered at her home off Old Camden Road to celebrate her 101 fruitful years. "She was even able to blow out the candle on her cake," said granddaughter Gwen Miller of Columbia.

Mrs. Gladney spent most of her years raising children. She now is fairly confined to her rocker, stationed by the window and in front of the television. "I read the paper every morning, too," she claims.

Getting around isn't as easy as it was in her younger years. A walker facilitates her slow gait. But her eyes are still bright and she will confess that she misses being able to get outside and water all her potted plants. Her daughter takes care of that now.

A member of the Eastern Star and the Good Hope Baptist Church, Mrs. Gladney attributes her longevity to the fact that she "doesn't smoke or drink, never have". Her neighboring son added that his mother was always very patient and handled stress with ease.

There is a plaque hanging on her living room wall that proclaims Bessie Gladney "The World's Greatest Mother". Good Hope Baptist Church presented it to her a couple of years ago. Her offspring don't argue with the title. They all say she's deserving of the award.

There is also a framed print hanging in a conspicuous place which says, "May God keep his eye on this house forever". Mrs. Gladney thinks its the only way to approach life.

She can remember the days of doing wash for a family of nine by hand before washing machines. She recalls the days prior to cars and television. She says for many years she had never seen electric lights at night in Winnsboro because she was always at home before dark.

At 101, Bessie Gladney is quite remarkable. Her granddaughter Gwen Miller unobjectively says she has always thought her grandma remarkable.

President and Mrs. Reagan sent Mrs. Gladney personal greetings on her birthday. But she says you only have to be 80 to receive a card from the president.

As precious as any item in her home, the family Bible is very important to this lady, with birthdates, death dates and anniversaries recorded in it. But Bessie Gladney feels that the words of scripture have helped her make it to 101. Her celebration of life is daily and her family's devotion to her well being contributes to her peace.



Mrs. Bessie Gladney celebrated her 101 years last week with a cake and a room full of children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren to help eat it. (Photo by Becky Wooten)

## It's a happy 100th birthday for Fairfield woman

By JOHN COLLINS  
Newberry Bureau

### SIMPSON

She never actually bore a child, but dozens call her Mama.

Many of them will be among the 150 people from all over the country expected to gather today to honor Christina McGriff Jefferson on her 100th birthday.

Mrs. Jefferson, the daughter of freed slaves, was born July 10, 1885.

Confined to a wheelchair, she lives with her niece in the Fairfield County community of Simpson, about four miles southeast of Winnsboro.

Her mind remains sharp but she suffers from numerous health problems, including the amputation of her left leg last year because of poor circulation.

She attributes her longevity simply to "raising other people's children - the motherless and the fatherless." She and her husband, Albert, reared an adopted son, three nieces and a nephew, and also assumed responsibility for numerous other children for varying periods of time.

"I raised them up right," she said proudly, clasping her gnarled hands together. "I taught them how to treat people and how to treat themselves and how to work to make a living so nobody would have to make it for them. Yes, I'm very proud of how they turned out."

Mrs. Jefferson retired only 11 years ago - at the age of 89 - from a lifetime of farm work. On her last day at work in her niece's fields, she picked 118 pounds of cotton. In her prime, she said, she could pick 350 pounds a day.

Mrs. Jefferson married in 1904 and has been a widow for 39 years. She also has outlived three sisters and four brothers.

"Oh, how I do miss him," she said, gazing wistfully at an ornately framed portrait of a handsome young man dating from around the turn of the century.

"He was a good man, a Christian man," she said.

Mrs. Jefferson has no regrets about the way she has lived her life. "I am satisfied with my life. I tried to do the best I could serving the Lord



Christina Jefferson

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all the time."

She said she is "proud" to have lived so long "even though I have so many pains. You know, the Lord said if you do his will, years will be added to your life," she said.

"I sure am surprised, though. I never expected to live this long."

In addition to the loss of her leg, Mrs. Jefferson suffers from high blood pressure and is hard of hearing,

and her vision isn't very good.

She lives with her 73-year-old niece, Olivia Simpson, who said it is no chore taking care of the aunt she loves. Mrs. Simpson was not raised by her aunt, but her late husband was one of the many children who stayed with the Jeffersons over the years.

"That's how I met him," Mrs. Simpson explained.

Mrs. Jefferson rises each day about 10 a.m. and washes her face, applies beauty cream and combs her steel gray hair into a neat bun. "I ask the Lord every day to teach me and keep me in his care," she said.

Depending on how she feels, she watches television, reads her large-print Bible, talks on the phone or pieces quilts.

"I love to sew," she said, shaking out a bright red and green quilt. "I call this the courthouse steps" she said, explaining that the design is

modeled after the entryway of the Fairfield County Courthouse in Winnsboro.

"And this is the State House steps," she said, holding up another quilt. "You look when you're down there, you'll see."

She said that she has to force herself to eat these days and that food has "no taste." But her niece says she can still work up some enthusiasm for watermelon and cucumbers.

Mrs. Jefferson said she urged her family not to hold the birthday party, but they insisted. "I was the boss, but now they are," she said wistfully. "They said, 'Anyone who gets to be 100 should have a party.' I told them I thank the Lord, but I wasn't looking

for any big to-dos."

Mrs. Jefferson, who has never smoked tobacco or tasted alcohol, said God is keeping her alive "because I have tried to serve him and do as he said."

## Outstanding Older American



MAXIE YOUNG

Maxie Young has been named the Outstanding Older American for Fairfield County for 1985. This

award recognizes an individual's untiring efforts, dedication, and continued contributions to fellow citizens. Mr. Young will be recognized and presented with the award on May 22, at Billy Dreher Island, during a special awards ceremony.

Among his many attributes, Mr. Young displays sincere concern for his fellow man. He has volunteered many hours to human service agencies in Fairfield County. Mr. Young's age of 73 has slowed him down very little.

Mr. Young was born in Fairfield County, resides in Jenkinsville, has eight living children, 45 grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He attends White Hall A. Church where he is active. Mr. Young's interests include fishing, watching ballgames, and helping other people.

When asked how he felt about receiving the award, he replied, "It's a real nice. I appreciate it, too."

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# At 101, she keeps on singing

By RON WENZELL  
State Staff Writer



Hannah Weston of Columbia is 101 years old and counting.

A resident of the Brian Center on Forest Drive, the Winnsboro native celebrated her birthday last week with a large cake and visits and cards from her "children."

Having no children of her own, Mrs. Weston helped raise scores of them as a Columbia nanny for more than 50 years. "All those sweet children. I feel like they're mine," she says.

The list includes doctors and lawyers, businessmen and community leaders. They remember their old nurse with letters and gifts, and she hasn't forgotten them. She can call most of them by name and keeps up with what they are doing.

"Hannah has lots of visitors," said Lynn Christopher, who is on the staff at the Brian Center. "She's a wonderful person. We love her."

One of her chief pastimes is singing. A devout Methodist, she prefers the old gospel songs, and *Amazing Grace* is her favorite. As a small child, she was a soloist at her home church in Fairfield County. She was too small to mount the platform herself and had to be lifted onto the stage.

"FOLKS TOLD ME I had a voice like a mockingbird," she says with a chuckle.

She enjoys listening to the radio, but because of failing eyesight she watches little TV. Ms. Christopher and other staffers read to her, usually *Guidepost* magazine and *Reader's Digest*.

She's a regular at the bingo games, but admits to being a poor loser.

Her appetite is good, especially when the menu includes collards and corn bread. She likes crackling in her corn bread.

"That's the way I cooked it for my husband; with butter and cream and just a little sugar in it."

Mrs. Weston never knew her parents. Born Aug. 8, 1884, she was orphaned three weeks later.

She was taken in by a family named Johnson, the first of many families she would live with until her marriage to Joseph Weston in April of 1904.

"My foster parents were good to me, but very strict," she says. "I didn't have many friends my own age, and I was older than most girls before I was allowed to date."

SOME OF HER HAPPIEST childhood memories are of school. She attended classes in Winnsboro and was a good student.

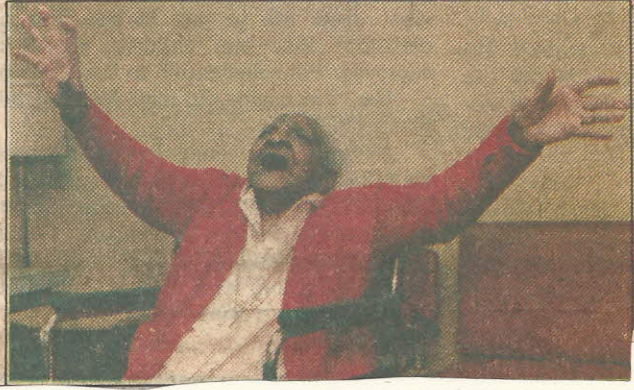
"In grade school, we'd hide in the bushes every morning and surprise our teacher with a song." She can repeat the song today, word for word.

When she completed her formal schooling, Mrs. Weston trained as a midwife under a Dr. Daniel and worked for him until she married and moved to Columbia.

## Still beltin' 'em out

Although confined to a wheelchair, Hannah Weston sings hymns with gusto.

Photos by Jeff Amberg/The State



## Model Barn Exhibit: Return To Times Past

It was like taking a trip back in time, viewing the miniature model barn on display at the 116th South Carolina State Fair in Columbia last month.

The prize-winning craft exhibit in the Ruff Building was a labor of love for Drayton K. Brooks of Hopkins in Richland County. His creation stirred a lot of old memories for thousands of fair spectators, drawing heavy attention throughout the ten days of the 1985 edition.

In fact, he called on his memory for the model barn. "I grew up on a cotton and corn farm in the Horrell Hill section of Richland County," he said. "And we had an old barn on the place just like the one I made. I didn't have any plans or blueprint for the barn, but I knew in my head what I wanted it to look like."

The life-like look to the miniature barn was enhanced by the use of some old materials from the original barn. Brooks said he used some of the shingles from the "old place."

Work on the project was very detailed and required an untold number of manhours during a six-month period. "I nailed and glued as I went along," he said. "Much of it was slow, painstaking work. I spent some time crimping the tin for the roof and making the two-horse wagon."

The exacting creation by Brooks even included lights over each door, however, fire regulations at the State Fair prohibited him from cutting the lights on for the exhibit. "I wished we could have had the little lights on because then you could have seen inside the barn," he said.

The 65-year-old Brooks, a self-employed contractor who builds homes admits he enjoyed working on the miniature barn "in between regular jobs." He added: "I'm the type person who

does not like to have idle hands. I always like to be doing something, not in the fast lane, but enough to keep me busy."

After displaying the barn at the fair, he says he does not have any definite plans for his exhibit. "I want to do a little improving on it and then wait and see," he declared. "I really can't place a monetary value on it right now. It was just a labor of love for me. I appreciate the interest everyone showed in it."

## Farm House Catches Eye At State Fair

What's next for Drayton K. Brooks, the master-mini builder from Richland County?

His replica of an old style farm house was an eye-catching attraction of the 1986 edition of the South Carolina State Fair last month in Columbia. This structure came on the heels of a miniature old barn he made for the 1985 State Fair.

"I started on this old farm house the Thursday of Fair Week last year, cutting out the floor and finishing it a few days before the Fair this year," he said. "I usually worked on it an hour or two in the evening and several hours on Saturday."

Doing things with his hands comes naturally for Drayton Brooks who is a building contractor by trade. He's been doing that for about 40 years out of the Horrell Hill section of Richland County where he grew up.

His farm house was built more by experience and feel than by scale. "Some of the things, if I had built them to scale, you would not have been able to see them," he said. "But everything is accurate to the best of my ability and it's pretty close to my old home place in the Lower Richland area."

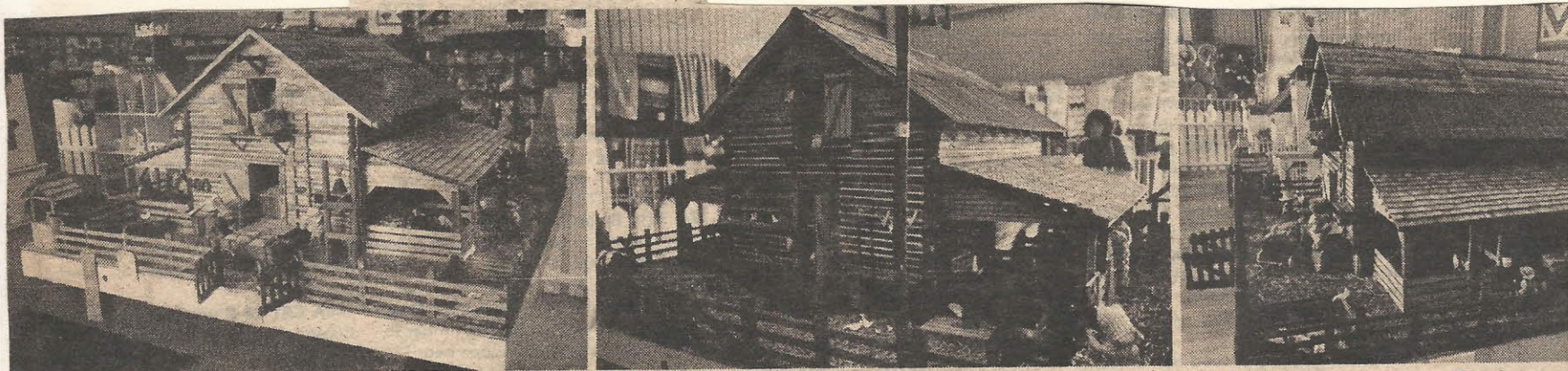
The house stands out with its big front porch and side porch which contains among other things milk cans, tables, benches, lanterns, cups and saucers, several watermelon slices on a table, a water pitcher, an old pump and even an old dipper.

His yard is surrounded by a picket fence in the front and rail fencing on the sides. The yard contains, among other things, a smokehouse, chicken house, and outhouse and an early T-Model Ford.

"A lot of the building material for the house," he said, "came off an old barn I tore down. There is very little new material in the model. The fencing came from some wild Cherry trees on my farm place. They split real good when they're dead."

Both the old farm house and the old style barn are on display at Boozer Lumber Company in Columbia.

What does Drayton K. Brooks have in store for the 1987 South Carolina State Fair? "That's a secret," he says. "I have a mental picture of what I want to build and I have even started some preliminary work on it. But I'll let the rest of it be a surprise for fair-goers next year."



Here's A Look At Many Sides Of Model Barn Seen At '85 State Fair



Miniature Masterpiece from Skilled Hands of Drayton K. Brooks

# A Bumper Crop Was Grown Here in Fairfield

By Faye Johnson

Monday was a hot day for anyone who ventured any distance from an air conditioner; but for law enforcement officials working in Fairfield County, it will probably be remembered as the hottest day ever.

During the humid morning hours, Fairfield Sheriff Bubba Montgomery and his deputies, accompanied by officers from SLED and the Drug Enforcement Agency, toiled in a sweltering subterranean greenhouse, looking for clues as to the identity of the persons involved in what may be one of the major marijuana growing operations in this state.

A tip-off to the DEA a couple of months ago culminated on Monday in the entering of the 110' x 60' underground greenhouse located a scant half mile off Hwy. 321, and within shouting distance of at least two residences. On Monday, all the officers found were five small marijuana plants; however, a SLED spokesman said it is believed that at least one, and perhaps two, marijuana crops have been harvested. Officials estimate that as many as 1,100 plants could have been grown in the 85' x 50' growing area. At that rate of growth, one crop could net the growers as much as \$1,760,000.

The underground laboratory employed some sophisticated growing techniques. Equipped with a huge diesel-operated generator and running water, it contained all the elements for growing a crop within six weeks' time. Approximately 40 1,000 watt industrial style halide lights were placed about the growing area, and could be raised or lowered as dictated by the needs of the growing plants. An air conditioner and fans helped control the temperature. A crude but effective "irrigation" system of hoses crisscrossing the ceiling of the bunker-type structure provided water.

The structure, 16 ft. deep in the laboratory area, is completely underground, and covered with dirt and brush on top the ground, making it completely invisible from the air. Brush covered the entry and ventilation vents, as well a large tank which apparently contained diesel fuel for the generator. Immediately inside the entrance is a small room which contained two television sets, a hot plate, refrigerator, and two beds. A cowbell rigged to the "trap"

door entrance served as a warning system, although the only other way out would have had to be through a ventilation opening.

A DEA agent estimated the cost of the diesel generator at \$20,000, and other equipment at \$30,000, making a total investment in equipment of \$50,000. Sheriff Montgomery said a considerable amount of time and work had to go into building the structure. On Monday, officials said they weren't sure who owns the land the operation is located on. People living close by said they were unaware of anything unusual going on. Fairfield County Councilman Robert Davis, who lives in the area, said he had seen heavy equipment coming in and out, but assumed that someone was building a pond.

The structure lies so close to Hwy. 321, that the sound of tractor-trailer trucks could be heard from the highway. It is just off Sec. Rd. 403.

Sheriff Montgomery said no arrests had been made; Lt. Steve Smith of SLED said suspects have been identified and that arrests are expected in the case.

Smith declined to say whether the owner of the property is considered a suspect.

What kind of person, or persons, could construct this type of structure and engage in the growing of illegal plants? According to one DEA agent, the people who built the structure had to know something about engineering in order to keep the whole thing from caving in. They also had to have knowledge of electricity in order to wire it. Lt. Smith said plans for growing marijuana plants underground can be found in such publications as *High Times* magazine. The Fairfield underground lab is the second one discovered in the state; a small operation was found under a Rock Hill mobile home about two years ago. According to Sheriff Montgomery, the underground operation is becoming a trend, as marijuana growers are attempting to evade air surveillance.

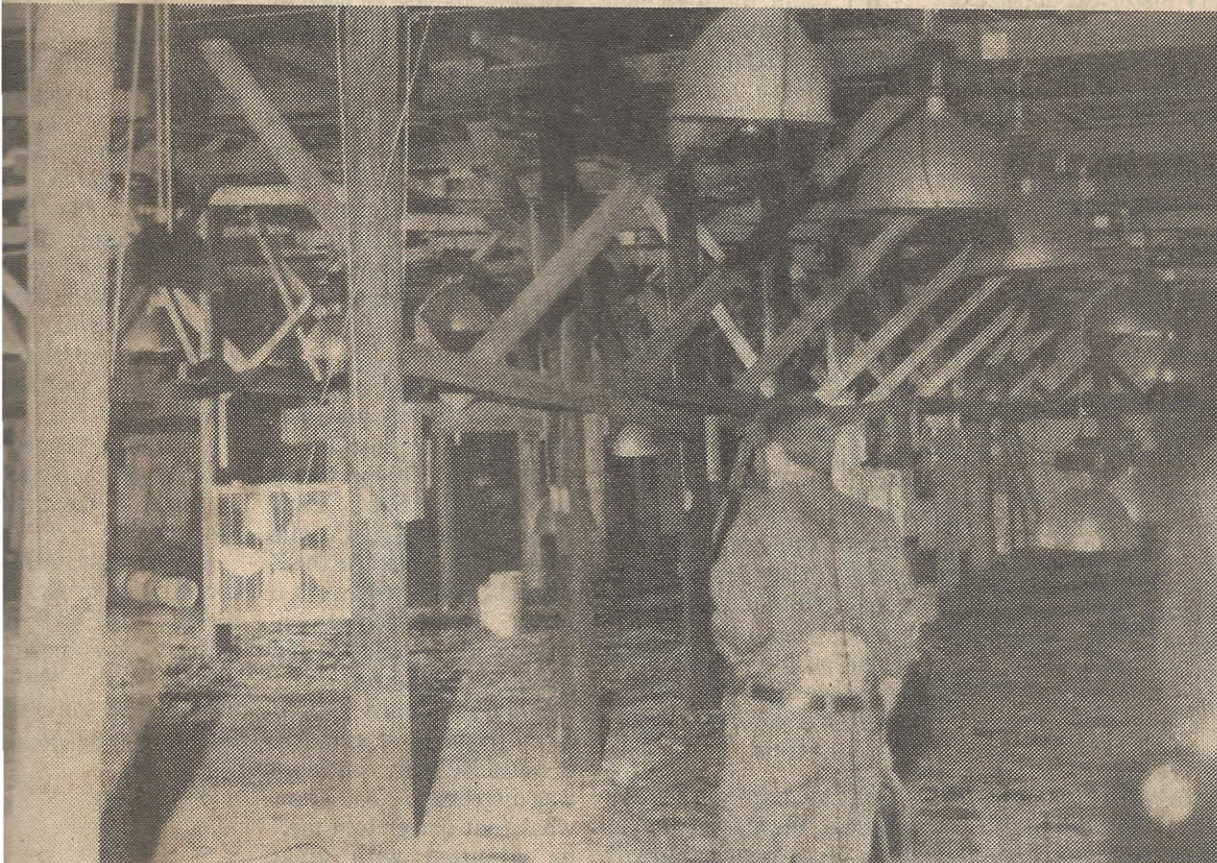
As to the type of individual or individuals involved, as one officer put it, "They weren't lazy - it took a lot of hard work to put this together. They could have made a lot of money using this much energy legitimately".

It's a risky business for high stakes. Perhaps that explains the bottle of Mylanta and the Goody headache powders spotted by a reporter at the scene.



**CAMOUFLAGE** — A piece of plywood and cedar brush were used to camouflage the opening to the underground marijuana field. On Monday dozens of law enforcement officials, Solicitor John Justice, and Lt. Gov.

**Mike Daniel** visited the site at White Oak, where officials estimate at least one crop of marijuana was harvested. Arrests are expected to be forthcoming.



**UNDERGROUND OPERATION** — Pictured above is the "laboratory" used for growing marijuana in the underground greenhouse at White Oak. Only one other underground operation, a small one in Rock

**Hill**, has been discovered in South Carolina, although Sheriff Bubba Montgomery says this is becoming a trend.

(Photos by Faye Johnson)



An unusual overhead "irrigation" system, employing hoses, provided water for the growing marijuana plants.



These special overhead lights, designed for growing hothouse plants, were found in the underground marijuana warehouse at White Oak. (Photos by Faye Johnson)

# Newberry County Historical Summary

Lying in the fork of the Broad and Saluda Rivers, Newberry County was settled in the middle of the 18th century by immigrants of Scotch-Irish, English, and German stock who traveled the overland trails from Pennsylvania, Virginia and North Carolina seeking new homes along the Carolina frontier amidst the primeval forests of Cherokee hunting grounds.

As part of the Old Ninety Six Judicial District established in 1769, this upcountry area retained until after the Cherokee War its frontier characteristics. Newberry County was formed in 1785 when Ninety Six District was divided into six counties.

A Scot, John Duncan, said to have been the present county's first settler, settled on the creek now bearing his name in 1752. A small group of Germans settled in the lower fork in 1744 and were followed during the next decade by many other of their countrymen. Their prominence in that section gave it the name Dutch Fork, from "Deutsch volk" meaning "German folk." The Enoree River and its tributaries were settled by Virginians, Pennsylvanians, and North Carolinians of English or Scotch-Irish descent. The other principal early settlement was also by these three immigrant groups in the Little River-Bush River section.

Also along the Bush River was a settlement of Quakers, who seemed to have emigrated from Camden in the 1760's to establish in Newberry County one of the principal centers of Quakerism in the state. An industrious, skillful and inventive people, the removal of the Newberry Quakers to Ohio between 1802-07 because of their opposition to slavery was a severe blow to the area's economy and community enrichment.

Other 18th century religious groups in the county were three Lutheran churches in the Pomaria area, three Baptist churches in the northern part of the county, three Presbyterian churches also in the northern section, two associate Reformed churches on King's and Cannon's Creeks and the Dunker's on Palmetto Branch. Methodism, emerging just before 1800, did not flourish until later.

Crippled economically and morally by the disasters and forced stockage confinements of the Cherokee War, the area soon after fell prey to a wave of lawlessness during which crime and chaos prevailed, until groups of local vigilantes, the Regulators, organized to bring law and order to the isolated back county in the 1760's. Many active Regulators were residents of the Newberry area. Opposition to the extralegal assumptions of the Regulators led to another dissident movement by the "Moderators," which precipitated the end of the Regulators in 1769 and effected long overdue attention to the governmental needs of the back-country by the Charleston authorities.

As in most of the upcountry, involvement in the early stages of the Revolutionary struggle was largely irrelevant to many Newberry settlers who had no quarrel with the English King and little identity or sympathy with coastal society's politics urging separation from Britain. Not all were indifferent, however. Numbers of area loyalists, refusing to take oaths of allegiance to the partisan government in 1778 emigrated to Florida and from there to Nova Scotia.

Outrages upon local citizens by Tory leader Robert Cunningham and the infamous Redcoat officer Banastre Tarleton accomplished what patriotic persuasion could not and converted otherwise peaceful farmers into ardent partisans. Guerilla warfare ensued between 1779-81, laying waste the area and pitting brother literally against brother. Three Revolutionary encounters took place in the county: Williams Plantation, 1780; Mudlick Creek and Bush River, 1781.

Initially an area of small, independent and diversified farmers and sturdy artisans, the area experienced radical changes both in its society and economy after the introduction of the cotton gin in the late 18th century. Development of large cotton plantations that amalgamated many of the small independent farms, reliance on slavery, and a one crop system ruinous to the soil resulted in marked changes in the area's socio-economic character. By 1800 the white population had decreased from 11,000 to 7,000 while that of the black populace increased from 2,000 to almost 14,000 by 1860.

Westward emigration of many leading citizens lured by the expanding cotton kingdom and increasing political polarization defending slavery grew in the first half of the 19th century, leading to almost unanimous citizen support in the area for nullification and secession. The overwhelming separatist posture of the county made Newberry County a leader in the upcountry in demanding the state's withdrawal from the union.

Standing almost alone in opposing this view was the distinguished historian and renowned antebellum jurist John Belton O'Neill, beloved and respected for his independence, ability and integrity, but whose warnings of impending destruction were rejected by his fellow citizens. Unquestionably the greatest figure in Newberry's history before the Civil War, O'Neill was the acknowledged leader of humanitarian efforts to improve the conditions of the slaves, to inculcate temperate habits among his neighbors, to encourage diversification and proper soil conservation methods and to enhance the commercial and cultural dimensions of the area so loved.

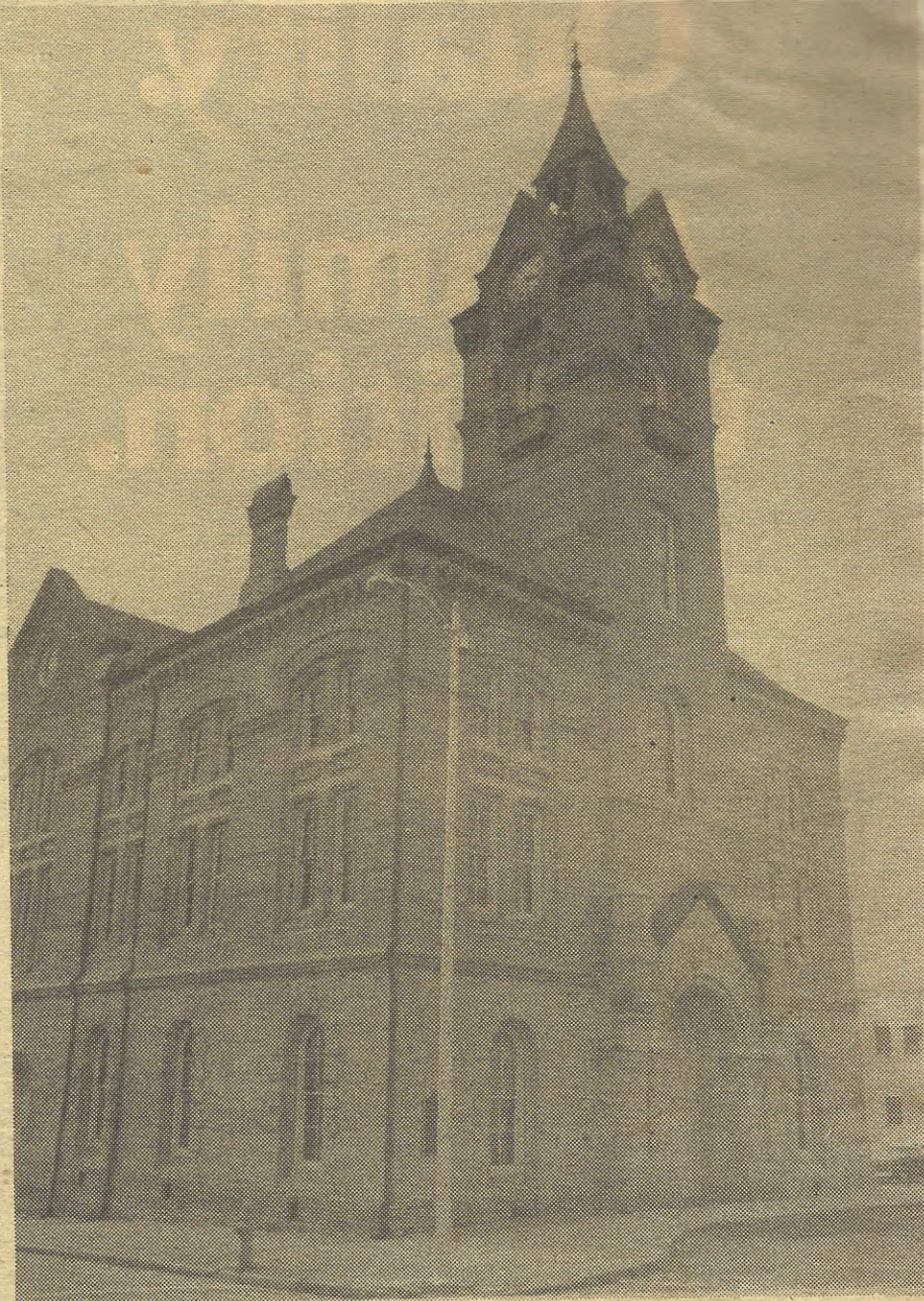
Although seriously stricken by war, Newberry County was spared the vast devastation of other South Carolina counties ravaged during that troubled time.

Graced by business and professional leaders of perception and foresight, Newberry County secured the first upcountry railroad line in 1851, making the village of Newberry (established 1789) the leading inland cotton market of the pre-war period. The growth of the village attracted numbers of competent physicians, lawyers and merchants. Interestingly, while the village in its early years did have a courthouse, jail, school, burial ground, postmaster and library society, it had no church during the first 40 years.

Other early communities were Malohon, Whitmire, Jalapa, Kinards, Silverstreet, Maybinton, Chappells, Deadfall, Prosperity (Frog Level), Stoney Battery, Smokey Town and Pomaria — location of one of the largest and most complete nurseries in the south in the last century. Started in 1840 by William Summer, noted agriculturist and horticulturist and member of the influential and distinguished Summer family, the nursery continued until 1878. Summer also operated the Pomaria Stock Farm, developing improved cattle, swine and sheep strains.

Concerns with education was apparent in Newberry. Mt. Bethel Academy (1794-1820) was one of the State's most outstanding preparatory schools, furnishing almost the entire student body of the South Carolina College when it opened in 1805. Other antebellum schools, helping fill local educational needs prior to the real beginning of the public school system there in 1891, included the Asbury-Finch School (1794), Newberry Academy (1809) and Pagesville Academy (1848).

The permanent establishment of Newberry College at the county seat in 1858 was supported not only by area Lutherans, who founded the liberal arts college, but also by the entire community. The



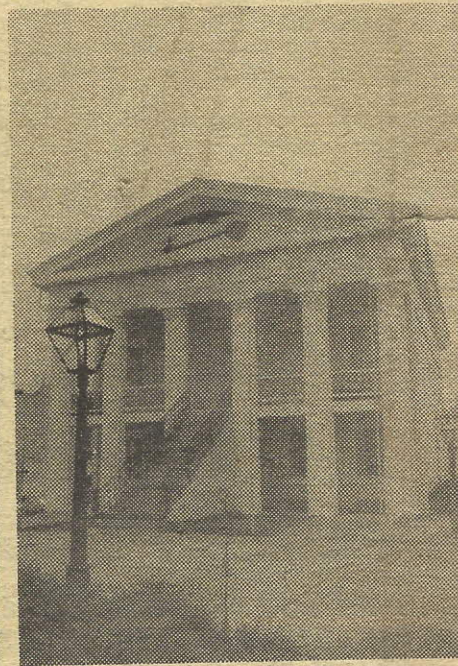
Newberry Opera House



Summer-Huggins House



Gauntt House



Old Court House, Community Hall

Photos by Steve Armfield

college had its genesis in 1831 near Pomaria in the home of Colonel John Eichelberger as a Classical Academy and Theological Seminary of the South Carolina Lutheran Synod. It experienced several subsequent removals to other locations in and out of the state before returning to Newberry County, where its presence has had broad and significant influences.

Rich in history, scenic appeal and natural

and human resources, the county's place in the story of the state's development has been ably and indelibly fixed by its leaders and citizens.

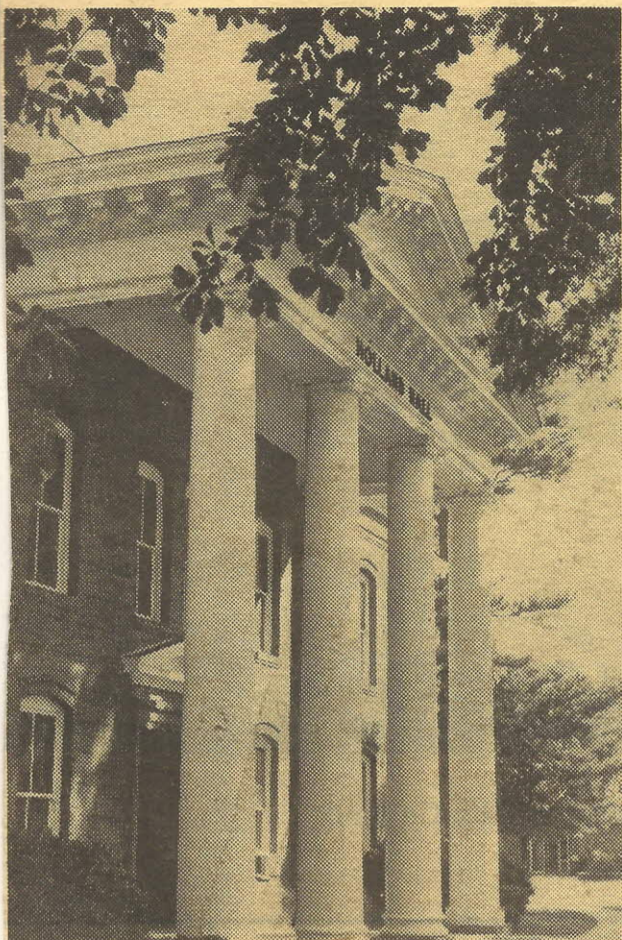
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# Newberry College

An Investment In Quality Education

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The College prospered until nearly all the faculty and students were called into military service during the War Between the States. In 1868, as a result of the military occupation of the original building, presently the site of Smeltzer Hall, and the depletion of the endowment funds, the College faced a severe financial crisis. The Lutheran congregation at Waihalla offered the College a new home and the offer was accepted. But in 1877, through the efforts of Newberry residents, the College finally returned to its original site in Newberry.

Since those formative years, thousands of words have been written about the objectives of Newberry College. During the 125th anniversary celebration in 1981, its mission was reaffirmed:

To provide students with opportunities for coeducational personalized quality education leading to a bachelor's degree with emphasis on the liberal arts with preparation for careers in a number of specialized fields in an atmosphere enriched by Christian values. And to provide the Newberry community, the three supporting Synods of the Lutheran Church in America, alumni, and friends of the College an opportunity to share in its academic, cultural, and athletic programs and physical facilities.

Newberry College is an institution with an intimate learning atmosphere. The faculty devote their time and energies where it

counts most — teaching and inspiring individual students. Through the support of the South Carolina, Southeastern, and Florida Synods of the Lutheran Church in America, the school has been able to achieve and maintain a credible record of educational achievement. Graduates of Newberry have become nationally prominent leaders in education, business, and government. The Newberry College heritage is one of pride and accomplishment.

Offering a classic liberal arts undergraduate education, Newberry College affords students a choice of more than thirty majors. These majors lead to one of four degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Music Education, and Bachelor of Science.

The Newberry College curriculum has featured varying elements of continuity and change during the past few decades. Music, business, sociology, physical education and education continue to be very popular majors, while biology, English, mathematics, history and religion continues to serve significant support roles in the curriculum.

It is significant to note that Newberry is the only small college in South Carolina to provide computer-related course offerings above the introductory level and to offer a major in computer science as well. Newberry's major in international government and business is the only one of its kind to be offered to undergraduate students in South Carolina. And Newberry is one of the only colleges in the Southeast that offers a major in Arts Management — a field of study that combines a combination of course work in business administration with activities in art, music and drama.

Newberry also offers a specialized major in Industrial Safety — the study of safety management in business and industry.

Newberry College strives to provide students with opportunities for liberal and culturally relevant education. While always mindful of its Lutheran heritage and liberal arts traditions, the College continually reappraises its total program in order to meet the challenges of a changing world. Prospective students, parents, and friends of the College are invited to visit the campus and tour the historic sites.

Newberry College is also publisher of the quarterly, "Studies in Short Fiction," the nation's only scholarly journal devoted exclusively to the serious commentary on short fiction.

## NEWBERRY COLLEGE CURRICULUM

### ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS

Art  
Biology and Chemistry  
  
Business Administration and Economics  
  
Education  
  
English and Foreign Languages  
  
History and Political Science  
Mathematics and Physics  
  
Music  
  
Physical Education  
Religion and Philosophy  
Sociology and Psychology  
Theatre and Speech

### PROGRAMS MAJORS

Art  
Biology  
Chemistry  
  
Accounting  
Business Administration  
Business Administration and Industrial Safety  
Economics  
Early Childhood  
Elementary  
Elementary/Early Childhood  
English  
Foreign Languages  
French  
Spanish  
History  
Political Science  
Mathematics  
Mathematics and Computer Science  
  
Performance  
Instrument  
Organ  
Piano  
Voice  
  
Church Music  
Music Literature  
Music Theory  
Bachelor of Music Degree  
Performance  
Church Music  
  
Bachelor of Music Education  
Physical Education  
Religion and Philosophy  
Psychology  
Sociology  
Theatre and Speech

### INTERDEPARTMENTAL PROGRAMS

Arts Management Major  
Business Administration and Chemistry Major  
Business Administration and Computer Science Major  
International Government and Commerce Major

### DUAL DEGREE PROGRAMS WITH OTHER UNIVERSITIES

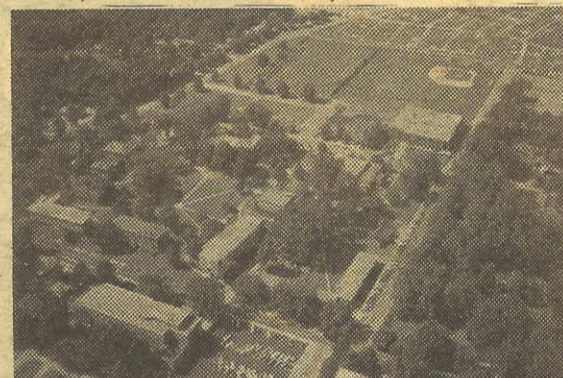
Computer Science  
Engineering  
Forestry  
Industrial Management  
  
Management Science  
Medical Technology  
Physics

### PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

Dental  
Forestry and Environmental Science  
  
Law  
  
Medical  
  
Nursing  
Optometry  
Osteopathic Medicine  
Pharmacy  
Theology

### NON-MAJOR PROGRAMS

Journalism  
Military Science (Army ROTC)  
  
Physics



An aerial view of the College Campus



Richard Brokaw Hall on campus dormitory



Smeltzer Hall, Newberry College

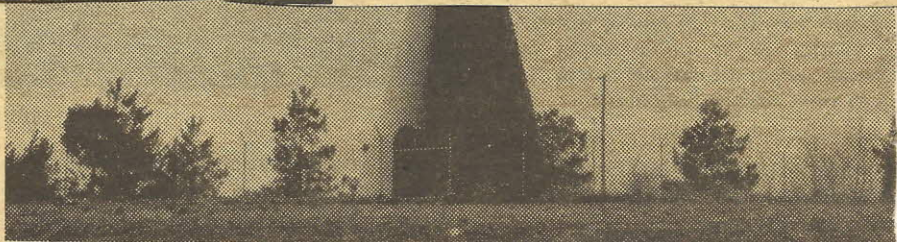
Living" magazine, Hamm said, adding that comments have come from other states as well, including Virginia, Kentucky, and North Carolina.

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NEWBERRY COUNTY'S EGGOID WATER TANK

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Your Happy Shopping Store

of Newberry

# Milk Road

## Water Tank Permanent Tribute To Egg And Dairy Industries

Newberry County has a permanent tribute to its leading industries, egg production and dairying, in the county water and sewer authority's eggoid water tank at the junction of South Carolina 34 and Interstate-26.

The 500,000 gallon tank was completed in 1982, and officials decided to build it in the shape of an egg to honor not only the county's leading industries.

The words, "Newberry County, Milk and Egg Capital," are painted on two sides of the tank.

The \$356,000 tank was funded with federal Farmers Home Administration monies and a state grant acquired by former Sen. Robert C. Lake, Jr. of Whitmire, according to Walter Hamm, Chairman of the Water and Sewer Authority's board of trustees.

The tank was formally dedicated on Sept. 16, 1984, and was named for Sen. Lake.

The tank has sparked interest from as far away as Oklahoma, and has been featured in "USA Today," and "Southern Living" magazine, Hamm said, adding that comments have come from other states as well, including Virginia, Kentucky, and North Carolina.

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Original plans for a tank at the eggoid site called for a 300,000 gallon tank to be located there, Hamm said. However, when Newberry County Council voted to have a study done to see if the area was suitable for an industrial park, the size of the tank was boosted.

A water tank on S.C. 34 near the interstate had been in the Authority's long range plans for a number of years, and in May of 1973, a 150-ft. by 150-ft. site where the eggoid was eventually built was deeded to the Authority by Newberry County.

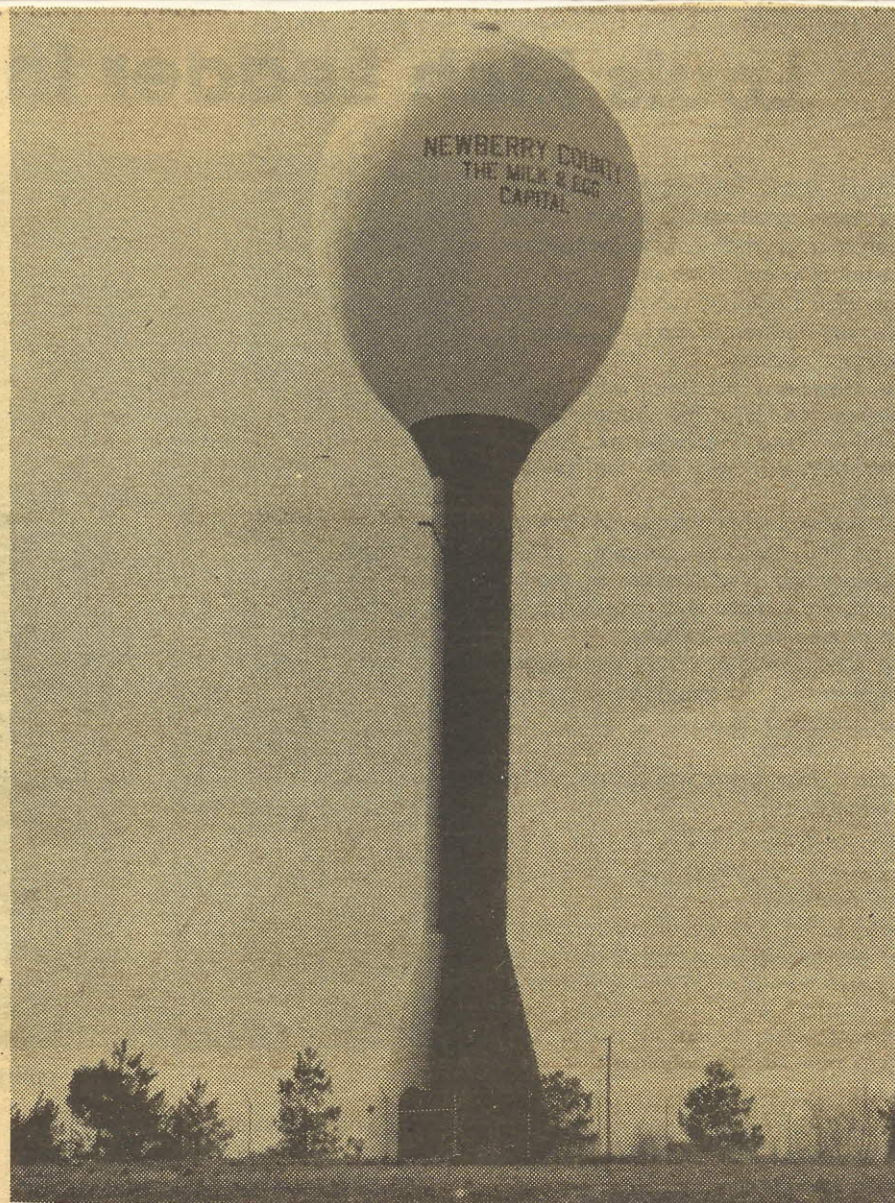
Construction of the eggoid brought the number of tanks in the Authority's system to five, and brought total storage capacity to 3.1 million gallons, according to Hamm.

Another tank is in Little Mountain, two are in Prosperity, and one is in the Bush River area.

The eggoid was necessary to provide adequate protection for residents in the northeastern section of the county, Hamm said.

The tank serves as a back-up to tanks in Prosperity and Little Mountain. It will also help equalize the pressure and flow of water throughout lines in the southern part of the county.

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NEWBERRY COUNTY'S EGGOID WATER TANK



## 111 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., April 1, 1874.

It is not difficult to observe the lenten fast, when beef is fifteen cents a pound and chicken forty cents a piece, and the people are panic struck.

Col. F.J. Cameron, of Arkansas, who returned to this county upon the death of his father, R. Gregg Cameron, Esq., has announced his attention of remaining. We welcome him among us.

A council of the grangers of Fairfield County has been organized, composed of three delegates from each Grange. Rev. J.S. Conner is Master; and Dr. W.E. Aiken, Secretary. The address of these gentlemen is Winnsboro.

This is Passion week, commemorating the entry of our Saviour into Jerusalem and the events occurring up to his rising from the dead. Friday is good Friday, and Sunday is Easter. The feast of the Passover is also commemorated by the children of Israel.

COMFORT IN THE CHURCH — The people of St. Stephen's, Ridgeway, appreciating the fact that we should not attend service as a penance, have carpeted the body of the church and cushioned the pews. Some time ago the chancel was carpeted and cushioned, and the lectern retrimmed. A fine heating stove was added, together with a beautiful baptismal fount. Places of public worship should be adorned and made attractive to the youth as well as the aged of our land.

## 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., April 8, 1885.

### LOCAL BRIEFS:

Mr. J.B. Patton, son of the Rev. E.L. Patton, L.L.D., of the South various articles of personal apparel, articles in common use in their households, and images of the wooden deities, before which they bow in superstitious reverence in the heathen temples. Samples of the shoes worn by the different classes of society, the razors they use to shave their crowns, and the bamboo comb which were very much needed.

There are still some delinquents on our books, and they will have our thanks for an early settlement.

A cold wave has struck us at last

Messrs. Editors: We do not think a voice from the "Dark Corner" in commendation of The News and

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., September 30, 1885.

HYMENEAL — Miss Eunice Powell, of Fairfield, and Mr. Wm. Lykes of Richland, were happily united in marriage on Tuesday night. Quite a number of friends were present. Much praise is due our firemen for their promptness when the alarm of fire is issued. They are always promptly at SHILOH.

Messrs. Editors: There was a theatrical entertainment rendered at

Carolina University, was the successful candidate for the appointment to the Naval Academy, with Mr. G.H. McMaster as alternate.

PERSONAL — Miss Carrie Dunn came up on Thursday from Columbia, where she is attending school, to spend a few days at home.

Solicitor McDonald returned on Wednesday from Yorkville, having disposed of a very heavy criminal docket at that place.

ON THE GO — We are told that two suspicious looking fellows were seen on Sunday loafing around the freight depot inspecting the machinery on the platform. They wore store clothes and the appearance of cosmopolitan gentlemen who scorn both a local habitation and a name. What direction they took on leaving is not known.

A BRILLIANT WEDDING — On last Thursday evening, at the residence of Dr. W.E. Aiken, the bride's father, our popular and talented young Representative Mr. Chas. A. Douglass was married to Miss Gussie Aiken. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. John T. Chalmers, assisted by the Rev. D.E. Jordan. A happy occasion was no doubt anticipated and in this it is certain that no one was disappointed. The bride was in full possession of all her native beauty, enhanced a little perhaps by the flush of excitement incident to the special interest which she had in the proceedings. Her costume was indeed a model of tasteful elegance. It consisted of a walking suit of light lilac merino, with silver trimmings, kid monsequitaires to match, and double hyacinths and heliotrope at throat. The groom was entirely himself, so much so that in fact that a stranger might have imagined that he had been through with the same thing many times before. The marriage ceremony being over congratulations followed in order. A sumptuous repast was soon waiting, and as merit is usually rewarded it must be said that no exception to the rule was made here. A full measure

with geese are numerous on Broad River.

Foot peddlers are rather on the increase.

It is school these days and it is cool these nights.

Broad River is much swollen by the recent heavy rains.

Most of the farmers are through raised by him this year. They were seven as large potatoes as we ever saw, the largest one measuring twenty-two inches around, and the smallest thirteen inches, and the in a land like ours we would take pleasure in doing it. This is not the language of one that has never been outside of the State; we have been in hope the good example set by McCauley & Co. will have a beneficial effect upon other portions of town and excite other merchants to an improvement of their stores.

A mule while hitched in front of a dwelling in Monticello was attacked by a nest of bumble bees. Twenty-eight of them fastened upon him

to a petition which is to be submitted to the Legislature asking that the town be empowered to issue bonds, has handed the list to one of the was the son of Kelly Miller, a freed slave, and Elizabeth Miller, once a slave owned by the Chappell family of Jenkinsville. There were thirteen

of appreciation was manifested by all. Had anyone doubted the unalloyed felicity of the moment it were sufficient to have glanced at our genial Senator who stood near by, a smile of infinite satisfaction playing upon his countenance. But there was no one doubting. The appetite of every one was soon set at rest. An hour of pleasant conversation followed; then the happy couple bid adieu to relatives and friends...

## 45 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., April 4, 1940.

### CONGAREE PRESBYTERY WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO BE GUESTS OF SION CHURCH THIS WEEK

The Woman's Auxiliary of Congaree Presbytery will be the guest of Winnsboro's Sion Presbyterian Church this Thursday and Friday. A program replete with information and inspiration has been prepared by the Presbyteral officers, and the Winnsboro leaders have done all in their power to fully provide for the entertainment of the visiting delegates.

The general meeting opens Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock with the call to order by the president, Mrs. J.R. West of Cassatt, and the invocation by Rev. Dr. George G. Mayes. Mrs. H.E. Caldwell will present the greetings of the hostess auxiliary to which Mrs. W.D. Barnett, of Columbia, will respond. This will be followed by the roll call of auxiliaries and the reports of the general officers and the auditing committee...

The pastor of the local church, Rev. Arthur Martin, will preside at the Thursday evening program which begins at 8 o'clock. Rev. James M. Carr, regional director for Religious Education, will speak at this time. An offering will be received at this

NOV. 20, 1920.

### W.P.A. EDUCATES MANY ILLITERATES

One out of every three illiterates in South Carolina shown by the 1940 census has been taught to read and write by the WPA education project nopes that he would feel better, but died in a few minutes after he had lain down. In his death the county has lost a useful citizen. We extend our sympathies to the family.

Birthdays: Jane Lewis, 4-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Lewis, Aug. 7; John Haynes, August president, Mae Nelson; vice-president, Ernest Ferguson; secretary, Katherine Elliott; and treasurer, Killough Patrick.

The senior class sponsors, Miss Ethel Bruce and Mrs. Caldwell, together with Mr. Patton, have promised to cooperate with the class in every way possible, thus the

### RED CROSS BEGINS DRIVE

Armistice day officially opened the mathematics.

...Be that as it may, Kelly Miller, after leaving the Richardson school, managed to go to Washington

service and the sacrament of the Lord's supper will be celebrated. The choir of the Sion church, directed by Mrs. G.M. Ketchin, will furnish special music at this and other services during the meetings...

At one o'clock luncheon will be served for the delegates at the Boag Memorial building. Mrs. O.C. Scarborough is chairman of the luncheon committee.

### BAPTIST MEETING ATTENDED BY 500

More than 500 persons attended the quarterly meeting of the Fairfield Baptist association training union held Sunday afternoon in the First Baptist church at Winnsboro.

Willard B. Jones, associational director of Columbia, was in charge of the gathering. The Rev. H. Floyd Surles was host pastor.

Attendance by various Baptist churches in Richland, Fairfield and Lexington churches, by action count, was as follows:

Blaney, seven; Cayce, 76; Colonial Heights (Columbia) 81; First Baptist (Columbia) 19; Crescent Hill (Columbia) 24; Earlwood (Columbia) 41; Eau Claire, 14; Park Street (Columbia), 87; Rosewood (Columbia) 35.

Also, Shandon (Columbia) 52; Stephen Greene Memorial (Winnsboro) 38; Tabernacle (Columbia), 12; and First Baptist (Winnsboro) 54.

The attendance banner was won by Cayce, based on the greatest number present from the greatest distance.

The opening devotions were conducted by the Rev. Harry E. Alban, pastor of Crescent Hill Baptist church, Two Notch Road.

A Winnsboro quartet, consisting of H.S. Sinclair, Gordan Rutland, Stephen Ward and J.R. Crabb, sang, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. J.C. Leavell.

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Don't forget to give us your calendar items for May, so we can include them in the Herald-Independent calendar next week.

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Calendar Next Week!

# A Century of News

By Sharon Avery



## 110 Years Ago

The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C. 29180.

Something must be wrong with old probabilities, hot one day, cold the next and rain the next. Perhaps the old fellow thinks that variety is the spice of life.

A meeting of the executive committee of the South Carolina state press association will be held at the Columbia hotel, Columbia, on Wednesday, the 24th Inst., at 10 o'clock a.m.

A parade of the **Fairfield Fire Engine Company** is ordered for this afternoon at 4 o'clock. We trust that the members of the company will turn out in full force. On the drags belong the most active and energetic young men of our town, and they being the custodians of the citizens' money invested in their engine, should not, through lack of zeal, allow the organization to "go stone dead".

Our town was visited this week by the Rev. M.H. Houston and his wife, returned missionaries from China, and our citizens were entertained and instructed by the information conveyed to them, concerning the inhabitants of the celestial country. On Wednesday afternoon the children of the different Sabbath schools, together with many adults, assembled at the Presbyterian Church, and listened to descriptions of the personal appearance of the Chinese men and women, their superstitions and mummeries of their idol worship, etc., which was illustrated by various articles of personal apparel, articles in common use in their households, and images of the wooden deities, before which they bow in superstitious reverence in the heathen temples. Samples of the shoes worn by the different classes of society, the razors they use to shave their crowns, and the bamboo comb which were very much needed.

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with which they get the tangle out of their "pig-tail"; the knife and chopsticks which they use so dexterously at their meals; the pipes in which they consume tobacco and opium; pictures and images of the Chinese gods; and many specimens of carving, painting, embroidery, needlework, printing, agricultural implements, writing materials, beads, fans, visiting cards and other matters of interest to old and young.

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The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., Nov. 18, 1885.

### Items From Cedar Creek

Since our last, there has not been nothing of importance in our locality save a few weddings. On last Wednesday evening, at the residence of the bride's mother, near Blythewood, by the Rev. J.M. Hood, Mr. H.A. Brown to Miss Emma Wootan; all of Fairfield. Thursday evening, by the Rev. J.K. McCain, M.H. Lever to Miss Mattie Ballentine; all of Fairfield.

The building of Pine Grove Church was given to Mr. Robt. Dunlap, who is progressing with the work. The house has been raised and the work is going on rapidly, and the time is not far distant when the people of Pine Grove will have as good and as comfortable a church as is in the country.

### Items from Blair's

The weather continues changeable. Wild geese are numerous on Broad River.

Foot peddlers are rather on the increase.

It is school these days and it is cool these nights.

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The weather very much indicated a cyclone a few days ago.

Cotton picking in some of the fields has become exhausted.

"When the Roses Come Again" is a favorite song of our star-gazing sentimentalist.

The exercises of all the public schools in this school district have been resumed.

The culture of tobacco is contemplated by some of the farmers in this section next season.

The establishment of a Baptist Sunday School at the Broad River schoolhouse is talked of. So mote it be.

Mr. S. Carter expects to leave Fairfield for the "Lone Star State" some time next month, on a visit to his relatives.

Mr. Wm. M. Blair, one of our esteemed citizens, who has been dangerously ill, is, we are glad to say, improving rapidly.

Mr. Eddie Blair, our enterprising young friend, chose to play "Physician" as his part in the great drama of life, as he is daily reading medical works, a knowledge of which he is rapidly acquiring.

Mr. J.B. Frazier, our mutual friend and enterprising farmer, anticipates moving to some other section of the county next year to enlarge his farming interest. Don't go, James, as there may be danger of some of the girls being made melancholy.

D.B.J.

## 45 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Thursday, Nov. 28, 1940.

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WPA literacy classes correspond roughly to the primary course in public schools. Teachers in these classes are specially trained to meet the problems presented in adult education and give the individual attention necessary when working with adults.

In addition to literacy classes the WPA education project is doing much to give the adult worker an opportunity to further his education. Family life, workers' education, continuation, and vocational training classes are conducted for people above school age and, for the most part, take place at night in order to give the employed person a chance to attend.

Classes in family life are designed to build a stronger family tie through education. Home economics, home making, and parent education are the courses included under this heading, nursery schools are also listed in the family life group.

Vocational training is the heading under which typing, bookkeeping and other business courses are listed. In rural areas, agriculture and animal husbandry is added to the vocational training curriculum.

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Ridgeway is growing in importance. This is generally the case with these new railroad towns. The people of Ridgeway have a vim and energy about them, and show an amount of public spirit that is commendable. They have a flourishing Masonic lodge, a grange and a library association which is largely attended. The town council enforce good order. For an additional guarantee of the public peace, Trial Justice Marshall holds court for the vicinage, and dispenses justice with an even hand. The annual export of cotton from this place average over three thousand bales.

Ridgeway, however, needs a good school. The property-holders of the town should subscribe stock and build a good house, and get a good teacher, and then this school and the churches will draw settlers to the town. A word to the wise is sufficient.

## 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., November 25, 1885.

### Local Briefs

Scarcity of money seems the general cry these days.

The Thespian Hall has been repaired again, necessitated by the recent fire.

Matthews' cistern has been undergoing a series of repairs recently, which were very much needed.

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and winter seems to have set in in earnest.

The bank building is being refitted up with guttering, which will add much to the appearance of the building.

Some valuable real estate will be sold on sale's day in December. Parties interested should read our advertising columns.

Mr. Joseph K. Alston will be the only applicant from this county for admission to practice in the courts of the State at the examination before the Supreme Court in December.

A corn doctor attracted considerable attention at the corner of the Court House on Wednesday. Quite a number gave him an opportunity to try his skill.

The chief of police was one of the victims of the pickpockets during the fair. It is hard on common men when the chief of police is robbed of his pocket-book.

The Rev. J.C. Chalmers and Mrs. M. Chalmers, who had been visiting in Newberry and Anderson counties, and friends in the old North State, returned last week after a very pleasant visit of two months.

We hear that the farmers are putting in an unusually large crop of small grain. They feel that it is hardly possible to have a failure in the next oats crop when we have had such a poor cotton crop this year. It is a wise thing, and we hope to see an immense crop next harvest.

**FINE POTATOES** — Mr. Robert L. Mobley, of Woodward, brought to this office on Wednesday, the product of two hills of sweet potatoes raised by him this year. They were seven as large potatoes as we ever saw, the largest one measuring twenty-two inches around, and the smallest thirteen inches, and the in a land like ours we would take pleasure in doing it. This is not the language of one that has never been outside of the State; we have been in hope the good example set by McCracker & Co. will have a beneficial effect upon other portions of town and excite other merchants to an improvement of their stores.

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## Herald-Independent Closed Thursday:

whole weighing twenty-five pounds. Mr. Mobley informed us that the land upon which they were raised was in cultivation before he was born, and he is now an old man. He will please accept the thanks of this office.

**THE LECTURE** — According to appointment the Rev. A.Coke Smith delivered a lecture in the Methodist church on Thursday evening on the subject, "What to do and how to do it". The ability of Mr. Smith as an orator and lecturer is well known, and it was not a matter of surprise that he was greeted with an exceptionally large audience. In his usual happy style he held the undivided attention of his audience during his entire lecture. He handled the subject with a master hand, and by his pleasant and appropriate anecdotes won the attention of all present. An admission fee of twenty-five cents was charged, and a handsome sum was realized for the cause of the church.

**DEATH OF DR. WILLIAM K. TURNER** — We regret to learn of the death of Dr. W.K. Turner, which occurred at his daughter's, Mrs. Dr. Scruggs on Sunday the 22nd. He had been in failing health for several years with consumption, but was not confined to his bed. On Saturday he left his home to visit his daughter, and although not feeling very well did not apprehend anything serious. He got up as usual on Sunday morning, and said that he felt much better. About eleven o'clock he complained a little and lay down in hopes that he would feel better, but died in a few minutes after he had lain down. In his death the county has lost a useful citizen. We extend our sympathies to the family.

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### McCracker-Shull

A wedding lovely in its simplicity and dignity, was that of Miss Nina Mae McCrackan and Lieut. Edward L. Shull which took place at 8:00 o'clock Friday evening in the First Baptist Church in Winnsboro, in the presence of a large assemblage of relatives and friends. The Rev. H. Floyd Surles, pastor of the church, officiated, using the ring ceremony.

Smilax, ferns, white chrysanthemums and many lighted candles and candlebra, effectively decorated the church for the occasion.

The usher-groomsmen were Lieut. L.A. Hobbs, Lieut. Jack Hutchinson, Lieut. George Hagood and Lieut. T.D. Christopher, all of the United States Army.

Misses Margaret Pope and Ella Rae Boulware of Winnsboro, Edith Beard of Langley and Rosalie Shull of West Columbia, sister of the bridegroom, were the bride's maids.

The matron of honor, Mrs. Edgar Johnson of Edgefield, wore American beauty moire taffeta, made similar to the bridesmaids' dresses and carried light pink chrysanthemums.

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### 110 Years Ago

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#### Local Squibs

Farmers in this vicinity are complaining very much about the excessive rains. They say that cotton is shedding very rapidly.

**COLLECTING HIS BET** — On the night of the election, just as the result at the Charlotte box had been announced, a certain dentist proposed to a friend to bet him the pulling of a tooth against 50 cents that the Democrats had carried the county. The bet was taken, the dentist lost, and yesterday the gentleman went around and had a tooth pulled. Such a bet as the average man doesn't care to collect.

#### Charlotte Observer

We return thanks for an invitation to a picnic at Hemphill's fishpond near Blackstock on Thursday last. We regret extremely we could not attend. But newspaper men have no ready means of locomotion, and cannot always gratify their desire for moving round and seeing everything that is going on. We are with our friends in spirit when we are unable to be with them in person.

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The farmers of this section a few days ago were revelling in the delights of a beautiful prospect for an unusually bountiful harvest of corn and cotton, but the seasons proved unfavorable and somewhat dampened their ardor, which took a contrary direction to that of the thermometer during the past few days. However, yesterday evening brought copious showers, which will lessen the shortage very much, and we are informed by old and experienced farmers that a fair crop will be made in this section.

A short time ago we took a little trip through the counties of Fairfield, Chester and York as far as Rock Hill, and during the trip we were forcibly impressed with the truthfulness of some of the articles which we had read in The News and Herald in reference to the fertility of our soil, where it received the proper application of fertilizers and cultivation. On every hand, as far as we went, there stood before us the living evidences of a contented and prosperous people. The improvements in every department and in every respect were marked by the hand of Progress, the great architect of the day.

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Wedding anniversaries: Mr. and Mrs. English Lyles, Aug. 12; Mr. and Mrs. F.M. Roddey, Aug. 15. Congratulations!

Hon. J.P. Richards, veteran member of Congress, from the Fifth district, paid a pop call to Winnsboro last Saturday. Congressman Richards predicted the re-election of President Roosevelt after a "stiff fight".

#### 160-Year-Old Brick Church is Scene of Celebration

The "Old Brick Church", meeting place of Associate Reformed Presbyterians for more than 150 years, was the scene of another annual gathering last Sunday, when people from three counties journeyed to the spot where their forefathers had worshipped, heard an inspiring address by Dr. F.W. Bradley, dean of the University of South Carolina, renewed old acquaintances, thought of old things - and enjoyed a bountiful picnic lunch.

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**AID FOR SUFFERERS** — The undersigned pastors of the various churches in Winnsboro, would take this method of giving notice that on next Sabbath morning, 15th inst., a collection will be taken up in all the churches for the sufferers in the city of Brunswick, Ga., where, owing to the ravages of the yellow fever, many families have been reduced to great want and destitution.

As merciful Providence has so signally preserved this community from sickness and death, during the past summer, let us contribute liberally as a thank-offering to the Lord, for this important cause.

- J. O'Bear, Episcopal Church
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**BUGGIES! BUGGIES!** - Single Lazy Back and Top Buggies, Double Buggies, with shafts and pole, Single and Double Harness, Saddles, etc., for sale for cash or good paper by

J.O. Boag

**DEATH** — We have just been informed of the death of Mrs. Nancy Ferrill, of the Jackson Creek section, which occurred on the night of the 24th. It seems that she had received a fall a few days prior to her death, and received serious injuries, but she died of paralysis which was supposed to have been caused by the fall. She was about seventy years old. The family and friends have our sympathy in their affliction.

**PERSONAL** — Miss Helen Wardlaw, of Abbeville, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J.G. McCants.

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### OBITUARY

**DEPARTED THIS LIFE**, at her home in Cross Hill, Laurens County, on the 12th August, 1885, Mrs. Leila S. Miller, wife of Dr. J.H. Miller, and daughter of Col. Jno. L. Black of Greenville, S.C. Mrs. Miller was born near Ridgeway, Fairfield County, and was in the twenty-second year of her age. She was an earnest, cheerful Christian, and a member of the Presbyterian Church, to which she had allied herself in girlhood. Her death was sudden, and it cast a gloom over the community among whom she lived, and to all of whom she had greatly endeared herself by her lovable qualities.

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The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., October 1, 1945.

The senior class of Mt. Zion Institute held its first meeting on Thursday, Sept. 24th, to elect its officers, for the coming year...the following officers were elected: president, Mae Nelson; vice-president, Ernest Ferguson; secretary, Katherine Elliott; and treasurer, Killough Patrick.

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### MT. ZION MEETS EPWORTH FRIDAY

Smarting under the sting of two defeats, the Mt. Zion Wildcats are driving hard in preparation for Friday's game, when they hope to hang up their first victory. The Cats will meet Epworth Orphanage eleven on the local gridiron at 3:30 o'clock. Admission is 10 cents and 25 cents.

In last Friday's game the aggregation from Abbeville proved too strong for the Mt. Zion boys. The visitors put across two touchdowns in the first quarter, one on a pass, the other on an end run, and the scoring for the day was over. Abbeville won 13-0.

The Cats looked fairly strong on defense but their offense was negligible.

The line-up for Winnsboro: ends, Stevenson, Levy; tackles, Wylie, Bratton; guards, Berry, Crawford; center, Heustess; backs, Carter, Main, Jones, Bill Boulware. Substitutions: D. Ferguson, E. Ferguson, Lauderdale, McMurray.

### REGISTRATION BOOKS CLOSE WITHIN 4 DAYS

Registrar Martin Y. Wilkes says that the registration books, for the election to be held October 29, on the question whether or not the Board of Public Works is to be abolished, will remain open until 5 p.m., Monday, October 7th. To vote in the election one must have a registration certificate.

By noon Tuesday, 756 persons had registered. According to Mr. Wilkes, who has been carrying the books from house to house, the total will be under 800.

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By Sharon Avery



### 110 Years Ago

**The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., November 10, 1875.**

**BLACKSTOCK ITEMS** — Our oldest friend Mr. Jno. C. Mackorell, has at last finished his large and commodious store at Blackstock, and filled it with dry goods, groceries, boots, shoes, etc. We understand from a gentleman who just returned from that little village that Mr. M. is doing an excellent business. We wish him success.

Mr. Moses Mackorell has purchased that large and commodious building, the Blackstock Hotel, and is having it thoroughly overhauled. It will be opened in a few days for the accommodation of boarders, and we guarantee that all who stop there will find a hearty welcome and as good fare as can be had.

**FIRES** — Mr. John C. Squier's stable was destroyed by fire about 5 o'clock Tuesday morning. At the sound of the alarm the firemen went speedily to the spot, but fire had got too much headway to be checked, consequently the stable was burned. The fire was no doubt the work of an incendiary. Mr. Squier's loss is about \$200.

About 9 o'clock Mr. H.L. Elliott's gin house was discovered to be on fire, the alarm was properly sounded, and the firemen were quickly on the ground and succeeded in saving the building. Mr. Elliott thinks the fire was accidental. His loss was about two bales of cotton. Much praise is due our firemen for their promptness when the alarm of fire is issued. They are always promptly at

SHILOH.

Messrs. Editors: There was a theatrical entertainment rendered at

their posts and will work with a will.

**EARTHQUAKE** — Between ten and eleven o'clock Monday night the shock of an earthquake was distinctly felt in this place.

One train of twenty-three cars carried off 596 bales of cotton from the depot at this place last Tuesday.

### 100 Years Ago

**The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., November 11, 1885.**

#### Local Briefs.

Good wood has been in demand for the past week.

A number of Fairfield farmers will have exhibits at the State Fair.

Cotton futures are lower now than they have been since the fall of 1879.

Go to D.R. Flenniken's for fresh groceries, just received and sold low down.

There was a very pleasant dance at the Winnsboro Hotel on Friday night.

The Rev. W.W. Orr of Huntersville, N.C., has been spending a few days in town.

Mrs. Lula McAlpine is spending a few days with friends and relatives in the Boro.

We are informed that the farmers of the county are settling up their liens with unusual promptness.

The Kennel Club of Winnsboro has met with little success this season. The fox seems too sly for the dogs and hunters.

**TOWN BONDS** — The parties who were appointed to solicit names to a petition which is to be submitted to the Legislature asking that the town be empowered to issue bonds, has handed the list to one of the was the son of Kelly Miller, a freed slave, and Elizabeth Miller, once a slave owned by the Chappell family of Jenkinsville. There were thirteen

members of the Legislature. It is signed by nearly all the taxpayers of town, which shows the interest felt in the enterprise. The bonds will find a ready sale and nothing seems in the way to hinder the erection of a handsome school building for the Mount Zion school at an early day. We suppose it is to be a substantial brick building erected in modern style. Would it not be well to have some professional architect to prepare a plan for the building.

**A TOBACCO SHED AT WHITE OAK** — We noticed, on a recent trip up the Charlotte, Columbia & Augusta Railroad, at White Oak a peculiar looking building which, upon inquiry, we learned to be a tobacco shed erected by one of our most enterprising farmers, Mr. Thos. G. Patrick, to be used in curing his tobacco crop. Mr. Patrick made an experiment in tobacco planting during the past year, which gave such fair promise that he has not hesitated to go to some expenses for the purpose of cultivating this lucrative crop on a larger scale. We believe that "there are millions in it" for those enterprising farmers of ordinary intelligence who will attempt the cultivation of it. The soil of Fairfield is well adapted to the crop, the climate is perfect and the railroad gives every facility for the marketing of the product.

### 45 Years Ago

**The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., November 14, 1940.**

#### RED CROSS BEGINS DRIVE

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annual Red Cross drive in Fairfield county and throughout the nation. As citizens were reminded of the close of "that war to end wars" twenty-two years ago, they were acutely conscious that approximately one-half the world is engaged in another great conflagration. They realized that there is still great human suffering at home and abroad which their donations to the Red Cross will do much to relieve. And they gave and will continue to give gladly and generously.

#### ARMISTICE DAY

Armistice Day was celebrated in Winnsboro and in the nation soberly and seriously. There was little hysteria, subdued cheers during the parade and at the meeting in the Mt. Zion auditorium. A group of school children, marching down Winnsboro's streets, sang "Over There" but there was little revival of the war songs of 1917.

However, those who might labor under the false illusion that America is not ready and willing to fight for those principles which in the words of Woodrow Wilson "gave her birth, happiness and the peace that she has cherished", had a rude awakening while listening to the excellent address of Dr. Daniel. Those parts of his speech in which he denounced the German bund and declared that we were willing to sacrifice and fight for the ideals of Democracy, for our way of life, drew the most vigorous applause.

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The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., January 20, 1875.

### LOCAL BRIEFS:

We are strongly considering the propriety of closing up our local department as long as this wretched weather continues.

Mr. G.W. Crawford is erecting a commodious stable on Judge Neil's lot in rear of the Court House. Verily, Winnsboro is improving.

A flatboat belonging to Ladd Bros. was wrecked last week on Wateree River and a large cargo of cotton floated down stream. At last accounts, all but a few bales had been recovered. The accident occurred from missing the Chapel.

Mr. Wash Ladd is a second Jonah. His steamer ran aground in Wateree river while he was aboard. He removed the cargo to a flat boat and was on the latter when that struck. And again, while in search of the missing cotton, he had not been anytime on another boat, that had been running safely for years, before it went to the bottom. We give him Horace's advice, to stay on land.

### MARRIED:

On the 14th inst., by the Rev. N. W. Edmonds, at the residence of the bride's father, **R.H. EDMUNDS, Jr.** of Ridgeway, S.C., to Miss **Mattie P.**, eldest daughter of Col. **R.G. Lamar** of Long Town.

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., January 14, 1885.

### THE ENTERTAINMENT AT SHILOH.

Messrs. Editors: There was a theatrical entertainment rendered at

the old academy near Jenkinsville on the evening of January 1, the purpose and object being to obtain funds to help out the home missions of the Little River Baptist Church. The clouds were lowering and the rain began to fall, but notwithstanding all this the people came out and showed by their presence their deep interest in the cause for which it was given, and that snug little building was soon seated to its full capacity.

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., January 11, 1940.

(Editor's note: Last week The News and Herald published a brief account of the death of Dr. Kelly Miller, asking its subscribers to supply additional information, if possible. Facts for the following story were obtained from a number of sources, among those being Mrs. F.M. Gadsden, Robert Miller, brother of the deceased, and H.E. Ketchin; two newspapers, The Washington Evening Star, which carried a picture, news article and editorial on Kelly Miller, and the Washington Afro-American (Negro journal), which puts him in its all-time Hall of Fame, with Booker T. Washington and others, also supplied valuable information.

Kelly Miller, author, lecturer, mathematician, former dean of the college of arts and sciences and retired professor of sociology at Howard University, was born in 1863 five miles west of Winnsboro on Mill Creek, on the plantation owned by Mrs. Nancy K. Rabb. He was the son of Kelly Miller, a freed slave, and Elizabeth Miller, once a slave owned by the Chappell family of Jenkinsville. There were thirteen

in his family and only two remain now, Robert Miller, a former teacher, and John Miller, both of Winnsboro. (Robert attended the final rites last week at the Howard Chapel, Washington, D.C.)

Coming of school age only a short time after the Civil War, Kelly first attended the New Hope School for Negroes which evidently had just been organized. It is said that teachers for this school came from Biddle university, Charlotte, N.C. This school is now known as the Johnson C. Smith University, and it is interesting to note that another native of Fairfield, H.L. McCrorey, is its president.

It was early noticed that Kelly was a precocious child. He raced through the simple courses at New Hope and subsequently went to the Joe Thomson school, another newly organized institute for Negroes, but here, too, he soon knew as much as did his teachers.

In the early 1870's there arrived in Winnsboro a Mr. Willard Richardson from the New England states (Massachusetts or Connecticut). He came as a sort of missionary-teacher for the Negroes and organized a school for them in a long hall-like residence which stood opposite what is now the oil mill. (The building was destroyed only a few years ago.) Here it was that Kelly continued his meagre education. Mr. Richardson, a highly educated man himself, who taught his charges the capitals of the states by putting them to music, noticed Kelly's brightness, particularly his proclivity for mathematics.

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where he entered Howard preparatory school, then the university itself, from which he was graduated with an A.B. degree in 1886. He then worked in the government pension office in Washington for a number of years, attended Johns Hopkins graduate school for two years, coming back to Howard to receive his master's degree in 1901. While studying for his masters he began teaching at Howard and he helped revamp the school's curriculum. He also taught one year in Washington's newly organized public school.

He accepted the professorship of science and sociology at Howard and after a number of years was made Dean of the college. It is said he could have been president if he so desired. He watched and helped Howard grow from a small college, with a few small buildings, into a large university, and he was largely responsible for its Freedman's hospital.

Dr. Miller was the author of many books and pamphlets, the best known of which were "Race Adjustments", published in 1908, and "Out of the House of Bondage", 1914. He addressed open letters to both President Woodrow Wilson and President Warren G. Harding. He was considered Howard's most distinguished alumnus.

Dr. Miller retired in 1932, but he continued his work. He wrote a column for 100 weekly newspapers for which service he made no charge.

Besides his widow, he is survived by two sons, one a dentist in New York City, the other a newspaperman of Washington, D.C.; two daughters, both teachers; and two brothers, both of Winnsboro, S.C.



## 110 Years Ago

The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., July, 1875.

Yesterday our sanctum was invaded by an emisary from Mr. J.O. Boag, bearing a fine watermelon. Mr. Boag has quite a supply on hand.

Mr. Joe C. MacLorell is erecting a fine store on Main street in Blackstock, which, when finished, will be an ornament to this thriving little town.

If hot is any name for it, we think we have experienced it for the past few days. On Sunday the thermometer ran up to 100 degrees, and was at 92 at 8 p.m.

We have in our office some specimens of Hungarian grass, grown on Mrs. M.C. McCreight's lot in Winnsboro. The grass is six feet in height and very luxuriant.

Col. Rion spoke five hours in Columbia Wednesday on the Parker case and continued on Thursday. The News and Courier and the Columbia papers speak very highly of his efforts.

On Saturday the Granges of Winnsboro and Gladden's Grove held a joint meeting near White Oak. Although it was really a Grange meeting, the picnic connected with it attracted a large number of persons. Over two hundred were present. A bountiful repast was spread, and though all partook freely, yet basketfuls of fragments remained. While the uninitiated were enjoying themselves in social intercourse and dancing, the Patrons adjourned to a neighboring spot and held a very harmonious meeting. It was determined to consolidate and to hold meetings at White Oak. Capt. Gaillard made a good speech, defining the object of the Grange, defending it from the aspersions of its enemies and pointing out the way to success. The patrons are quite

partaking of the hospitalities of our sister town, Rock Hill. The occasion was the marriage of Dr. T.C. Robertson, of the Rock Hill Grange, formerly of Winnsboro, and Miss Annie Belle Jones, daughter of Col. Cadwallader Jones, of Rock Hill. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Roberts P. Johnson, rector of the church. The comments upon this great man, every South Carolinian, especially of Fairfield, can well appreciate. With us his name was always associated with that of Calhoun.

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hopeful of meeting a success in their new movement. Mr. Jos. C. Caldwell was elected Master, Mr. John Vinson, Overseer, and Capt. H.A. Gaillard, Lecturer. We have not a list of the other officers at present.

The next meeting takes place on the first Saturday in August.

The entire party adjourned at a reasonable hour after having spent a very pleasant time.

## 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., July 15, 1885.

### Local Briefs -

Major Woodward was in town on Friday.

The farmers are now laying by crops. A few have already finished.

The county commissioners had a busy session on Tuesday.

Crops in some sections of the county are suffering for rain.

The congregation of New Hope Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church are preparing to erect a handsome new edifice where the old church now stands.

### PICNIC NEAR RIDGEWAY

*Messrs. Editors:* It was our happy privilege on Friday, the 3rd inst., to attend a picnic given by the patrons and friends of Mount Hope School to the pupils of said school. This school is located near Ridgeway, and presided over by Miss H.E. Thomas, whose reputation as a faithful, conscientious and efficient teacher is known, not only to the citizens of Fairfield, but throughout the State. This school numbers forty-five pupils. Early in the day the friends and pupils assembled. The hospitality of the family, which is noted, was shown by throwing open the doors of the residence, which was occupied by the older persons. The young people filled the basement and

one of the quarries and have been shipping stone for the last year. They have also recently consummated a lease of one of the quarries and will work it for a long period. This stone is rapidly gaining favor with builders and contractors in all sections of the country. In quality it is truly profound, not suffering any question in that line to come before him and remain unsolved. He was entirely familiar with the Latin classics and delighted in Greek literature, and so handled all questions relating to the Greek mining winds are playing havoc with the crops. Unless we have rain soon the young corn will prove a perfect failure.

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Dr. Vermont, a native of Antwerp, early day to Florida where he will perhaps spend some time. We hope he may soon regain his wonted vigor and resume the duties of his chosen

yard, amusing themselves in different ways. Croquet appeared to be the favorite game. The little folks had a play called by them "Wild Irishman", which they appeared to enjoy hugely, and which was enjoyed by some of the seniors who witnessed it.

At the appointed hour the pupils were formed into line by Maj. C.E.T., marched down in military style to the table, which was placed under the large oaks well protected from the burning rays of the noonday sun and which groaned under the weight of the many nice things prepared by the good house-wives of the vicinity. On reaching the table, the order was given to file to the right and left. The pupils arranged, a blessing asked, and the order given to help yourselves. This order was promptly obeyed by all parties. Ice lemonade was in demand which fried Mc knows so well how to prepare, and which he served up so lavishly. Dinner over, the party scattered in different directions, amusing themselves in different ways, and left when forced to do so by the evening sun, which warned them that it was time to start for their respective places of abode. This picnic will be long remembered by

An Invited Guest

## 45 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., August 1, 1940.

### MEDICAL SOCIETY IS REORGANIZED

Doctors, Meeting Tuesday at Fairfield Inn, Bring Back to Life an Association Which Was Born in 1906.

Meeting Wednesday afternoon at the Fairfield Inn, a group of local doctors, assisted by officials of South Carolina Medical Association, re-

work will cheerfully aid me in its procession. I have nearly attained my eighty-third year in life, feeble and poor, and promise that nothing shall be wanting on my part to write a partial history of our county, provided my friends will aid me in the laudable work.

presided over by Miss Catherine Moore.

Mr. J.B. Taylor offered the invocation.

The memorial message by Mrs. Moore, contained many historical facts pertaining to conditions

into the dining room. From a table made attractive with flowers and candles, refreshments were served. The guests had been invited to a "shower", each was supplied with a cunning parasol and wedding bells as souvenirs.

The bride was presented with a parasol filled with dainty handkerchiefs. Miss Stewart's wedding takes place next Friday evening at [unclear]. Secondary, that the Government and peoples of the British and French Empires are defending those principles of government and society [unclear] eleven o'clock. Council members extend a cordial invitation to all who would like to attend the meeting, not only to hear this address, but the rest

organized the Fairfield County Medical society, an association which was first formed in 1906.

Present for the ceremonies were Dr. A.E. Hines, of Seneca, longtime secretary for the State Medical association, Dr. Roderick McDonald of Rock Hill, former Fairfield county health officer, now a councillor for this district, and Dr. James DesPortes, of Fort Mill, a past president of the association. Dr. DesPortes formerly practiced in Ridgeway. Each made a brief address.

The following officers were elected: Dr. J.C. Buchanan, Jr., president; Dr. Samuel Lindsay, vice-president; Dr. C.S. McCants, secretary-treasurer. Dr. J.F. Dodson, Dr. J.E. Douglas, Jr., and Dr. Amos C. Estes were named on the Board of Censors. (Dr. Samuel Lindsay was absent from the meeting because of illness, and Dr. C.S. McCants was out of the city.)

The Fairfield Medical society was first formed in 1906, and it functioned very efficiently at different times, but like most county organizations, it finally became inactive. Of interest to readers will be the names of the charter members of the society; Dr. Samuel Lindsay was secretary. Other members were Drs. J.C. Buchanan, Sr., R.G. Hanahan, E.C. Jeter, all of Winnsboro; J.W. Glaries of Ridgeway, M. Langford of Blythewood, and C.S. Pixley.

Dr. Hines states that the Fairfield district was very active in medicine even as far back as 1848, when the state association was organized. Dr. T.T. Robertson, of Winnsboro, was an early officer of the association, and later Dr. C.H. Ladd, also of Fairfield, was president.

Dr. J.C. Buchanan, Jr., president of the re-organized society, says that another meeting will be held at an early date.

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## COUNTY RED CROSS TOTAL NEARS THE 900-DOLLAR MARK

Mrs. H.G. Wright, county Red Cross roll call chairman, announced late Wednesday that \$856.75 has been raised in Fairfield. In view of the fact that contributions from several districts have not yet been received, an itemized county-wide statement cannot be published at this time.

Rev. Arthur M. Martin is county Red Cross chairman, and Mrs. U.G. DesPortes is roll call chairman for Winnsboro. In addition, each of the several districts has a chairman.

## CHRISTMAS SEAL CAMPAIGN RETURNS

Returns for the first week of the Christmas Seal campaign are running more compared to the same period of last year, according to Mrs. S.R. McMaster, general chairman.

Fairfield county has never failed to raise its quota in the annual Christmas Seal campaign. This comes from full realization of the work our local tuberculosis association is trying to do. Our goal is \$1,000 for 1940. Tuberculosis knows no season. It claims its victims in December and in June. We appeal again to all to support the campaign so our year-round tuberculosis program may not lag.

"On The Firing Line" will appear at the Carolina Theatre Dec. 9th through 14th. This is a special film which urges local residents to support the activities of the Fairfield county Tuberculosis association.

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The Japanese Troupe exhibited on Monday night before a full house, and their performances were fully up to expectation. This company has acquired a high reputation all over the county, and that reputation was fully sustained at their exhibition in Winnsboro. We doubt not they will command large audiences wherever they may go.

The excursion train to Columbia passed Winnsboro on Friday at half past eleven o'clock - being considerably behind time. There were a large number of passengers aboard, and this number received considerable additions at this place. We have no doubt the excursionists had a very pleasant time. The train, returning from Columbia, passed Winnsboro at a late hour on Friday evening.

**SOMETHING FOR SPORTSMEN**— A party of gentlemen, consisting of Baylis E. Elkin, E.W. Oliver, D. J. Seigler, T.J.H. Jones, John D. McCarley and Joseph Jenkins, had, a few days ago, a very successful deer hunt on the Longtown Road between Ridgeway and Camden. The party killed three fine deer - one a buck weighing about two hundred pounds - and two does. Mr. Oliver brought down the buck, Mr. McCarley the larger doe, and Mr. Seigler the smaller doe. The party captured all the deer with which they met, showing that they are fine huntsmen. The antlers of the buck may be seen at our office and they are a sight that will make the sportsman's eye sparkle with delight.

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We congratulate our brother of the quill upon his good fortune in thus escaping the severe hardships of a bachelor's life. His success stimulates the rest of us to renewed endeavors.

100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., December 2, 1885

**HYMENTAL** — On the 18th inst., Mr. Martin F. Pope and Miss Minnie Castles, were united in the bonds of holy wedlock, by the Rev. Mr. Mahon at the residence of the bride's father.

**FAIRFIELD GRANITE** — Our Charleston contemporary in speaking of the Industrial Exhibition now going on in Charleston, refers to specimens of Fairfield granite in very flattering terms, and goes on to say that this granite has never been shipped or used outside of the state. This is a mistake, for we can remember that as far back as ten years ago this granite was shipped to various points outside of South Carolina. Louisville, St. Louis and Nashville are some of the points to which this stone has been shipped. Messrs. Orman & Stewart, of Nashville, Tenn., have had a contract with owner of one of the quarries and have been shipping stone for the last year. They have also recently consummated a lease of one of the quarries and will work it for a long period. This stone is rapidly gaining favor with builders and contractors in all sections of the country. In quality it is truly profound, not suffering any question in that line to come before him and remain unsolved. He was entirely familiar with the Latin classics and delighted in Greek literature, and so handled all questions relating to the Greek coming winds are playing havoc with the crops. Unless we have rain soon the young corn will prove a perfect failure.

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## ITEMS FROM LYLES FORD

**Messrs. Editors:** Having recently returned from Newberry, I have but little of interest from this section to communicate. Our farmers, both in Fairfield and Newberry, I learn have harvested nearly all of their cotton crop, and are sowing grain. Not a full crop of wheat will be sown, the price of flour being low. This is not farmer-like.

Our farmers seem to be making preparations for the production of the tobacco plant. Our climate and soil are well adapted to the best varieties. All we need is experience to make it remunerative. I have used, some years ago, tobacco grown here of the highest flavor.

Our schools are all in successful operation. The Rev. Mr. Vann has resumed at Rock Creek, Mr. Dargan near Blair's, and Miss Hamilton at Salem.

While at Newberry I commenced "Reminiscences of Fairfield County". I have written nearly as far as I have a knowledge of our county; of the first settlers and some historical and biographical items, aided by Mills' Statistics of South Carolina and Woodward's Reminiscences. I have yielded to many urgent solicitations of friends to compile a history of Fairfield with diffidence, knowing my inability to procure material to make it any way complete. The time has past to obtain much material from memory or tradition, as our old ones have passed away. As I regard every patriot of our county interested in the history of it, embracing the biography of their ancestors, I hope every one who can contribute to the interest of the work will cheerfully aid me in its procession. I have nearly attained my eighty-third year in life, feeble and poor, and promise that nothing shall be wanting on my part to write a partial history of our county, provided my friends will aid me in the laudable work.

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For those who love to sing Christmas music, a "Messiah Sing" will be held at Bethel A.R.P. Church on Sunday, Dec. 15, at 3 p.m. Anyone who would like to sing, or just listen, is invited to attend.

## 110 Years Ago

The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., September 15, 1875.

The indications are that there will be quite a light crop of cotton in Fairfield. The lower part of the county suffered considerably from rust.

**T**OBACCO—Mr. J.N. Withers will please accept our thanks for a sample of his fine tobacco, as good as we have put a tooth to in a long time. Lovers of the weed will find it to their advantage to call on him.

**a** PERSONAL — James R. Aiken Esq. has returned from the springs.

**tl** Mrs. J.O. Boag, Mrs. D. Lauderdale and Messrs. J.A. Brice, and W.H. Flenniken, are in New York purchasing their fall stock.

**T** R. H. Boyston Esq. is on a visit home. He has a good position in Baltimore and is prospering.

**w** PERSONAL — Capt. I.N. Withers left yesterday for New York to purchase a stock of fall and winter goods.

**b** Messrs. F. Elder and B. Sugener have returned from the Northern markets where they have purchased large stocks of goods for the fall and winter trade.

**w** Mr. R.S. Desportes of Ridgeway returned from New York on Saturday. He has our thanks for late copies of Northern papers.

**p** Messrs. Cloud and Kennedy, merchants of our sister burg, Ridgeway, are in New York.

## 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., September 2, 1885.

The Late Hon. Joseph A. Woodward

Our Mountain Home, published at Talladega, Ala., contains an extended notice of this distinguished man, from which we make extracts.

How truthful the comments upon this great man, every South Carolinian, especially of Fairfield, can well appreciate. With us his name was always associated with that of Calhoun.

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born the 11th day of April, 1806, in Fairfield District, South Carolina. He was the son of the Hon. William Woodward, who, while he was a practicing physician and a minister of the gospel in the Baptist Church, was also a politician and a member to Congress for several terms. The subject of this sketch had several brothers of distinction, two of whom came to Alabama, namely, Thomas B. Woodward, who first settled in this community, and went from here in 1859 to Mississippi and then to Texas, where he died. And his brother, the Rev. William Woodward, Jr., resided for many years in Sumter county, Alabama, where he was pastor of Baptist churches, and frequently represented that county in our State Legislature.

"Our subject was twice married; first to Miss Malinda Bones of Winnsboro, S.C., who lived to be the mother of one daughter, Mrs. Palmer, now residing in South Carolina. He was married to Miss Minerva C. Rice of Talladega, the 17th of November, 1845, who still survives him. By this marriage there are eight children - all living - three sons and five daughters. The family has been unspeakably blessed with health and life, as death never visited their circle until recently, when it removed the honored father. After his last marriage Mr. Woodward remained in his native state fifteen years, and came to Talladega as a citizen of the place in 1860.

"Mr. Woodward was educated entirely in his own State and graduate from the State University of Columbia, then under the presidency of Dr. Cooper. He was a profound scholar in several respects. First, in the scholastic sense he had carried his studies through a complete university curriculum, and constantly kept his eyes open to all changes and progress in these many branches of learning. As a mathematician he was truly profound, not suffering any question in that line to come before him and remain unsolved. He was entirely familiar with the Latin classics and delighted in Greek literature, and so handled all questions relating to the Greekening winds are playing havoc with the crops. Unless we have rain soon the young corn will prove a perfect failure.

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Dr. Vermont, a native of Antwerp, early day to Florida where he will perhaps spend some time. We hope he may soon regain his wonted vigor and resume the duties of his chosen

language with ease and pleasure.

"By profession Mr. Woodward was a lawyer, and while in South Carolina he led a very distinguished career in that profession, and successfully argued some very important cases before the Courts in Washington, where he confronted the greatest legal talent of the country.

"Mr. Woodward spent several terms in the Legislature of South Carolina, and in 1843 he was elected to Congress from the Winnsboro Congressional District, of that State, and returned to his seat at the National Capital for ten consecutive years, giving great satisfaction to his constituency, and could have remained, but retired at his own wish. He was a statesman of the broadest views.

"Mr. Woodward leaves a lovely, a delightful, a cultivated family. Refined, pure and Christian, all his children are church members. In his death they have suffered a crushing bereavement. They loved him, honored him, revered him. May God's blessings attend them and their loved mother.

## 45 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., September 5, 1940.

### MEMORIAL TO JAMES MADISON LYLE

A very lovely and impressive memorial service was held in the home of Mrs. Jimmie Lyle Moore in memory of her father, James Madison Lyle on Sunday afternoon, June 30th at which time Mrs. Moore, assisted by her daughter, Miss Catherine Moore, received in her home a number of relatives and friends.

A very impressive program was presided over by Miss Catherine Moore.

Mr. J.B. Taylor offered the invocation.

The memorial message by Mrs. Moore, contained many historical facts pertaining to conditions into the dining room. From a table made attractive with flowers and candles, refreshments were served. The guests had been invited to a "shower", each was supplied with a cunning parasol and wedding bells as souvenirs.

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existing in Kansas prior to the war between the states. Her father, a young lawyer, native of South Carolina, later of Kentucky, who located in Kansas in 1854, became a prominent factor in political affairs at that time.

His stand for constitutional rights and his effort to bring peace and harmony and to enforce the law, cost him his life and on June 29, 1857, he was killed by a hired assassin of the extreme fanatical party - just nine days after his twenty-third birthday...

Resolutions, presented by the bar and also by an ancient order of Odd Fellows at the time of his death, were read by Attorney W. A. Diemer and Attorney Gray Snyder. Attorney and Mrs. Elgin T. Fuller, of Hannibal, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Bud Walker, furnished beautiful vocal selections in harmony with the impressive occasion.

Greetings were read by Miss Catherine Moore from the following relatives and friends: Mrs. J.W. Keller of Oklahoma City; Mrs. John Coleman of Houston, Texas; Hon. Burnet R. Maybank, Governor of South Carolina; Dean J.N. Tott, representing the University of Louisville, Kentucky, from which institution James M. Lyle was graduated in law in 1854, Mrs. Mary Forrest Bradley, granddaughter of General Nathan Bedford Forrest of Memphis, Tennessee, Attorney Roy B. Meriweather of Monroe City; and Miss Harriet E. Roebuck, secretary to the Attorney General, Tallahassee, Florida, Miss Roebuck being the great granddaughter of Joicy L. Roebuck, the favorite aunt of Jas. M. Lyle and the Lyles family of South Carolina was represented by a beautiful and fitting tribute to James M. Lyle from State Senator J.M. Lyles of historic Winnsboro, Fairfield County, So. Carolina, the original home of the Lyles.

Many of James M. Lyle's relatives in South Carolina retain the S on the name of Lyle while he and others dropped the S from the name.

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ved by the girls in residence at the home, under the direction of Mrs. Mitchell. Various worthwhile projects were discussed and planned.

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on Wednesday, September 18, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Fairfield Electric Cooperative building, taught by Mrs. Lou Riddle, an accredited flower show judge. The workshop is sponsored by the Fairfield Garden Club. Reservations must be made by September 16, by calling 635-3929 or 635-2898.

Flower Arranging  
Workshop Sept. 18

# A Century of News

By Sharon Avery



## 110 Years Ago

The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., August 18, 1875

### Tour Through the Up-Country Mr. Editor:

From Central we visited Salubrity and spent the day with some hospitable friends. Here we found the purest and coldest water in the upcountry, save on the mountain tops. Crops are exceedingly fine, both corn and wheat, in this section. Thence we traveled by private conveyance to old Pendleton, having a good opportunity to see many crops which we are happy to say were generally very fine. We saw one feature in farming that we were much pleased with, viz: the sowing broad cast with pease the stubble field which is to be turned under late in the fall. It is said to enrich land very fast. The pea crop is destined to be the clover of the South, although we saw many lots of clover in our travel growing most luxuriantly.

Old Pendleton, we are sorry to say, is not improving much, nor keeping pace with the times. The Air Line running 5 miles above her has cut off and reduced her trade very much. We regret it, for we feel much attached to many of her citizens. She has ever been noted for the hospitality, intelligence and refinement of her people, and no better society can be found anywhere than in and around her. Among the many old friends we met here none we were more pleased to see than the former editor of that time-honored journal (now defunct) the Farmer and Planter, Major George Seaborn. He was ever devoted to agriculture, and made an able editor...

We also noticed another feature in farming we had to deplore - the planting of too much cotton to the exclusion of other crops, a system too prevalent over the entire state, and in fact, the whole South. Our country has been prostrated, nay almost ruined, by the one-sided policy of growing cotton to the neglect of everything else.

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vantage of a fine university under the control and management of W.M. Ligon, a native we believe of Fairfield, a ripe scholar, good disciplinarian, ever a gentleman and a most competent instructor. The commencement exercises were going on while we were there but we could not attend them. Gen. Kennedy of Camden delivered an oration, which was said to be one of the very best and most practical addresses. We were invited by Mr. L. to a dinner party whilst there but were overhauled on the road by our friend J.T. Whitfield and passed the time so pleasantly that dinner hour rolled around before we were aware of it, hence we dined with him and his estimable lady. Whilst at Anderson we called on friend Hoyt, of the Intelligeneer found him well and doing well. He is a young man of talent and promise and his paper is said to be ably edited. He has taken a high position in his county and no doubt rightly deserves it. On our return to Pendleton we met with our old room mate and most particular friend, S. Bleckly, a merchant of Anderson, a fine business man, and the cleverest fellow south of Mason and Dixon's line, (no exceptions).

Josh Gibbs

## 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., August 14, 1885

### Notes From Simpson

Messrs. Editors: Some time has elapsed since we have seen anything in your valuable paper from the Simpson or Ridgeway townships. What has become of your correspondent "Gum Spring"? If he knew how much his communications are appreciated by the people in this section, he would give them to us oftener.

Ten days ago the crop prospects were never better, but the dry, parching winds are playing havoc with the crops. Unless we have rain soon the young corn will prove a perfect failure.

What has become of the new road leading to Doko? A large number of hands from the upper sections, in obedience to orders, repaired to the spot and worked, or rather cut out a new road from the road leading from the Boro to Ridgeway as far as Mr. Semons and approximately two spectators, who all but filled the spacious building.

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Jas. F. Kennedy's, where they expected to meet the hands from below, but as yet the hands from the Doko section have not made an appearance. It seems that opposition to this road comes from below. Why, we have not heard. So the new road stands *in statu quo*.

All quiet at the poor house, and matters going on as quietly and smoothly as before the *big bust up*. Always a calm after a storm.

The Concord congregation have an ice cream festival at Ridgeway every Wednesday evening. The object is to raise funds to fit up their church. It will be remembered that the Fairfield Union (Baptist) holds its next meeting on the fifth Saturday in this month with Concord church, and the ladies of said church are determined to have everything in "apple pie order" for the occasion. Important queries will be discussed, to wit: "The Lord's Supper, its obligation and object" - the Rev. Mr. Corley to open discussion. "In what ways may a Christian display his love" - the Rev. Mr. Hood to open. From what we can learn, there will be a pretty fair attendance. The people around Concord are noted for hospitality, and no matter how many delegates attend, they need feel no uneasiness about being hospitably entertained. We hope, therefore, every church will be represented.

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## 45 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., August 15, 1940

### NEWS EVENTS IN RIDGEWAY

On last Saturday afternoon Mrs. James Dobson gave in honor of the bride-elect, Miss Don Oza Marie Stewart, a lovely tea. There were cut flowers in abundance, contests and music. Later the guests were invited into the dining room. From a table made attractive with flowers and candles, refreshments were served. The guests had been invited to a "shower", each was supplied with a cunning parasol and wedding bells as souvenirs.

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the Baptist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Verlin Barnett gave a dinner on Friday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Heins, II, who were recently married. After a delightful dinner the guests of honor were surprised by a shower of gifts for the new kitchen. Mr. and Mrs. Heins are keeping house in an attractive apartment in the Tidwell home.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnett's guests were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Heins II, Mr. and Mrs. Kempson of Columbia, Mr. and Mrs. Berkley Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Hinnant, Misses Laura Muller, Ruth DesPortes, Rosa Thomas, Sarah Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Heins, Bob Thomas, Baxter Jones, Charles Tidwell.

The 150th anniversary of the founding of Aimwell church is to be celebrated on Sunday with a home coming. The morning service will begin at 10:30 a.m. There will be a basket lunch at 1 p.m. Afternoon services will begin at 2:30 p.m. At that time, "In Memoriam" will be given by George Kennedy, son of Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Kennedy; a historical sketch read by W.R. Goodson; greetings from former pastors and special music.

There are to be a series of evening inspirational services at the Baptist church beginning Monday night at 8 p.m. These are to be union services, the talks being given by the Rev. Leslie Edwards, pastor of the church.

Mrs. W.C. Edmunds has returned from a visit with Dr. John Ashe in Charlotte. Little Ann Edmunds returned from a very delightful visit with her aunt and uncle.

Mrs. John Nicholson and daughter recently visited Dr. and Mrs. Fayssoux Palmer in Greenville.

The Kiwanis club met last Tuesday night at the NYA home. Prof. Ward of the extension department of the University of South Carolina, was the guest speaker. His talk was enjoyed by all present. Supper was served by the girls in residence at the home, under the direction of Mrs. Mitchell. Various worthwhile projects were discussed and planned.

Mr. R.C. Thomas has been selected as the president of the bank to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. N.W. Palmer. Mr. W.C. Edmunds is serving as vice president, Mr. W.R. Goodson as cashier and Mr. J.W. Palmer as assistant cashier. snowing right over there rather than) over here; that the Chief Executive should be empowered to call out the National Guard...

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## A Century of News

By Sharon Avery



### 110 Years Ago

The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., June 16, 1875.

#### Local Squibs

The Presbyterian Society intend having a spelling bee shortly.

There is to be another Spelling Match in Chester next Monday. We have been courteously invited to attend, but fear we will be unable to accept the invitation.

Remember that Col. D.W. Aiken, Master of the State Grange, will lecture to the Fairfield Patrons in Winnsboro on the 26th instant.

Cool - Wednesday morning was quite cool, and the chilly blast from the northeast made one feel like putting on winter clothing. We saw one man with an overcoat on.

ANOTHER CURIOSITY - Master Elliott Ketchin has a grown pigeon that is covered with quills, instead of feathers, resembling very much a porcupine.

The scholars of Mt. Zion Institute, together with the pupils of other schools around town, had a picnic Friday at Cathcart's mill. We understand the young folks had a splendid time.

Mr. W.R. Doty left for Kentucky on Friday where he will remain until Fall. Mr. Doty has added greatly to the prosperity of the County, and we will be glad to see him back with a fine lot of young mules, cheap.

Mrs. Andrew McMeekin of this county died last week at an extreme old age. We are informed that her husband, who survives her, and herself lived in wedlock sixty one years. Mr. McMeekin is the sole surviving member of Capt. Kincaid's Company which volunteered from Fairfield in the war of 1812.

### 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., June 10, 1885.

#### Local Briefs -

The weather at present is favorable to farming interests.

It is said that there is a great deal of sickness in the county at present.

A petition has been sent up to the Town Council asking that the street lamps be put back on the sidewalks.

Sheriff McCarley carried down on Monday evening six recruits for Col. Lipscomb's hotel.

We learn that the smaller boys of town are making efforts to get up a string band. We wish them success.

The closing exercises of the public schools are engaging the attention of patrons, teachers and picnickers at present.

It was found necessary on Thursday morning to supplement the panel of petit jurors by drawing ten talesmen.

We hear that a dancing class is forming in town. If a sufficient number join, it is said that Miss Ollie Thompson will come over and take charge of the same.

As the stores now close at six o'clock in the afternoon, and business generally is suspended after that hour, the postoffice will, until further notice, close for the day at half-past six o'clock.

The cotton crop throughout the county is said to be promising. Stand is excellent, and if the seasons are favorable for the next two months, a large yield may be expected with certainty.

Parties who have pictures that they wish to have enlarged may find it to their advantage to call on Mr. J.S. Curtis at the Duval House. He does very neat work, and will be glad to give instructions in the principles of his art.

### 45 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., June 6, 1940.

#### NATIVE OF FLANDERS DELIVERS ADDRESS TO M.Z.I.

Dr. A. Vermont, professor of modern languages at Converse College, delivered the annual commencement address Friday evening at Mt. Zion auditorium before 49 seniors and approximately 800 spectators, who all but filled the spacious building.

Dr. Vermont, a native of Antwerp, early day to Florida where he will perhaps spend some time. We hope he may soon regain his wonted vigor and resume the duties of his chosen

Belgium (Flanders), spoke in a low, conversational voice, which still carried a quaint accent, and listeners in the balcony strained to hear his every word. His address was of particular interest because of the invasion of Belgium, the capitulation of King Leopold.

#### CITIZENS URGE AID FOR ALLIES

Ernest Gladden acted as chairman of the meeting, and O.C. Scarborough was named secretary. The chair recognized G.F. Patton, who made a brief address in which he defined war as the "sum total of human miseries", adding that nations had always waged war for their material and spiritual interests - and probably always would - and that no amount of wishful thinking, no matter how well intentioned, would keep us out of war. The only safety was in preparation.

Mr. Patton, who had warned against pacifism when pacifism was popular, introduced a set of vigorous resolutions, but later discussion showed that the resolutions were none too vigorous to express the sentiments of the meeting.

#### RESOLUTIONS

Whereas the United States of America is facing a crisis out of which must come results incalculable, and

Whereas, a decision for a course of action must be reached and reached quickly by the Government, and,

Whereas, our representatives in Washington are entitled to and of a right ought to have the sense of their constituents,

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the people of Winnsboro in mass meeting assembled on this Fourth day of June, 1940:

First, that the Government and people of Germany, both in their purpose and in their methods, are making merciless war on civilization itself.

Secondly, that the Government and peoples of the British and French Empires are defending those principles of government and society which have made possible the progress of the world. Council members extend a cordial invitation to all who would like to attend the meeting, not only to hear this address, but the rest

which we have always held nearest and dearest.

Third, that we condemn the cruelty and barbarism of German methods of war and applaud the gallantry and bravery of the British and French.

Fourth, that the British and French are fighting the battles of Democracy, and therefore deserve not only our sympathy but also our material aid in such generous measure as to startle the world.

Fifth, that all laws which hinder the Executive in his efforts to aid the Allies should be forthwith repealed, and that among such laws are the so-called Cash and Carry act, and the act which forbids the granting of credits or the lending of money to certain foreign governments.

Sixth, that all aeroplanes, guns, and other supplies of war materials, as are now available should be sent to Britain and France and their allies, at once, and that the output of all aeroplane plants in this country should be infinitely increased and the product placed at the disposal of Britain and France regardless of the terms or the amount of payments.

Seventh, that arrangements be made and made now for the shipment, without stint or limit, of supplies of food and other necessities of life to the British and French against the famine that threatens all Europe the coming winter.

Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be printed in The News and Herald and copies be sent to Honorable E.D. Smith, Hon. Jas. F. Byrnes, and Hon. J.P. Richards.

The resolutions were passed without a dissenting vote and without important amendment, although a number of amendments and suggestions were offered.

Among the suggestions: That we should send all of our bombers to Europe; that we should send all of our planes, now in use to the Allies; that we should demand Congress to stop subversive and Fifth Column activities; that we should ship supplies in our own bottoms; that we should fight over there rather than over here; that the Chief Executive should be empowered to call out the National Guard...

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**Bass Tournament**  
Don't miss it, fishermen! The 8th annual Bass Fishing Tournament, sponsored by Coby's Sport Shop this Saturday, June 15. Weigh in at 6 p.m.

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### 110 Years Ago

The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., April 8, 1874.

#### LOCAL SQUIBS

We learn that **Dannenberg & Co.** have leased the store occupied by Bacot & Co.

**PLANTING COTTON** — A go-ahead farmer near Ridgeway planted twenty acres in cotton last Monday and Tuesday.

He has finished planting corn, also.

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Mr. McBride Smith has been busily engaged in putting up additional lamp posts along the streets. He believes in letting his light shine so that people can see his good works.

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At last **Bell's Bridge** has been opened for travel. It seems to be a substantial structure, and being higher and longer than previous bridges, will probably stand the sudden freshets for which Little River is famous.

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We paid a flying visit to Chester the other day, and were much pleased with the appearance of the place. Smith and Melton, and Wiley and Agurs have blocks of stores that would adorn any place. Maj. Richard Hare, who built the Thespian Hall, is in Chester improving several buildings. He understands his business. We met our old college friends, David Hemphill, Esq., the handsome and efficient County Treasurer, and Messrs. John J. Hemphill and T.C. Gaston, two rising young lawyers. Chester will be a thriving place when her railroad ventures are completed.

**DEATH OF MR. ANDREW PETTICREW** — We regret to learn of the death at Blackstock of Mr. Andrew Petticrew. Mr. Petticrew was a native of County Antrim, Ireland, and immigrated to this state a few years since. He kept a grocery store in Winnsboro for some time. Being threatened with consumption he returned last year to Ireland.

### 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., April 15, 1885.

It would seem that the working of our steam engine here may be heard at a considerable distance. It was employed for some time a few days since in emptying the new cistern. Some gentlemen who live four or five miles in the country hearing it at work hurried to town expecting to find us attending to a fire, sure enough.

**DEATH** — Mr. James W. Harrison, an aged citizen of this county, died on the 7th inst. Having been afflicted for some time with dropsy of the heart, his death was not altogether unexpected. He had reached the advanced age of seventy-three years, and leaves to mourn his loss a wife and a number of children, all of whom are fully grown. Peace to his ashes.

**RETROGRESSIVE** — It is said that every opinion sooner or later finds an advocate. We believe it is true, and so are not surprised to learn that there is a young fellow in town opposed to higher female education. He does not put it exactly that way, it is true but his position amounts practically to the same thing. He says that he is not in favor of sending the girls away off to school. Possibly he will take a different view of the situation later in life.

**MR. TURNIPSEED'S RESIGNATION** — We regret to learn that Mr. B.R. Turnipseed has tendered to the board of trustees of Mount Zion College his resignation as instructor in that institution. This step has been necessitated by his failing health and is taken only at the earnest request of his physician. Mr. Turnipseed is a man of undoubted scholarship, a teacher thoroughly progressive, and it will not be an easy matter to fill his place. It is said that he will go at an early day to Florida where he will perhaps spend some time. We hope he may soon regain his wonted vigor and resume the duties of his chosen

profession.

**THE PRIZE CONTEST AT THE RINK** — The prize contest came off at the skating rink, on Tuesday night, and was largely attended. If there is anything that will draw out the citizens of Winnsboro in full force, it is the skating rink. The roller skate craze that is now receiving so much attention at the hands of the press, has prevailed here for some time. At half past eight o'clock the contest began, the boys under twelve years of age taking the floor first. The contest closed at about half past ten o'clock, when the following prizes were awarded:

Best boy skater under twelve years of age: Willie Flenniken; scap book.

Best youth skater from twelve to sixteen years of age, Albert Gerig; photograph album.

Best gentleman skater, Mr. Claude Gladden; large photograph album.

Best lady skater, Miss Lucy Rion; dressing case.

Best girl skater under twelve years of age, Miss Hannah Rion; shell jewelry case.

Worst boy skater under twelve years of age, Willie Lumpkin; small tin cup.

As to the last prize, a large tin cup to be given to the worst gentleman skater, the judges were unable to decide between the claims of two of the contestants, Mr. Frank Clarke and Mr. L.E. Owens, and accordingly each of these gentlemen were presented with large tin cups, amid the hearty applause of the spectators.

### 45 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., April 11, 1940.

#### GOVERNOR MAYBANK TO ADDRESS FARM WOMEN'S COUNCIL

The outstanding address for the Farm Women's Council on Thursday, April 18th, will be made by Governor Burnet R. Maybank at eleven o'clock. Council members extend a cordial invitation to all who would like to attend the meeting, not only to hear this address, but the rest

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of the program planned for the day. All who plan to stay for dinner are asked to bring a picnic lunch. The meeting will begin promptly at 10:30. A check will be given to the club having the largest number representing the most miles traveled.

The morning program will feature songs by the council chorus, the club chorus contest, and an address by Governor Maybank.

The afternoon session will be given over to business and reports.

#### GWTW COMES TO CAROLINA

It's here at last! "Gone With The Wind" blows into Winnsboro next week and the Carolina Theatre will show the long awaited sensation, morning, afternoon and night, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, April 17, 18, 19, and 20. The management reports that tickets are going fast and much interest is being shown by cinema-goers, as well as by those who seldom darken a theatre door.

Starring in the picture, which follows very closely Margaret Mitchell's 1,037-page best seller, are Clark Gable as "Rhett Butler", Vivien Leigh as "Scarlett O'Hara", Leslie Howard as "Ashley Wilkes", and a host of other well-known actors.

Some interesting facts about GWTW: 450,000 ft. of film were shot, of which only 20,500 ft. were retained. This runs for 3 hours and 45 minutes on the screen...1,200 horses, 500 mules and other livestock were used...David O. Selznick, producer, bought the motion picture rights from Miss Mitchell for \$50,000 in 1936, then searched for 2½ years before he found Scarlett...A South Carolinian, Alicia Rhett of Charleston, plays the part of "India Wilkes" in the film...The Gallop Institute of Public Opinion estimated (when the picture was first made) that 50,500,000 people in the United States alone were waiting to see it - the largest potential audience a show has ever had. The same poll indicated that a world audience of 100,000,000 was waiting to see on the screen the picture of the Old South, which of a truth, has gone with the wind.



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**The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., February 17, 1875.**

The old clock was froze out on Wednesday night, at a quarter to three o'clock. She is all right again, however.

Mr. Thos. Richardson, an old and highly respected citizen of this county died at his residence near Simpson's T.O. on Tuesday last.

The County Commissioners have awarded to Mr. S.W. Ruff the contract for building the bridge across Yongue's branch on the Monticello road.

We have just heard that Rev. H.C. DuBose, who went from South Carolina as a missionary to China was some months ago assaulted by the natives and received several injuries. It appears that in fulfilling his mission he ventured into a town into which foreigners are not allowed to go. He remained there for some time prosecuting his labors, when without notice his house was entered by infuriated natives and he was beaten. He however succeeded in obtaining protection from the authorities. Mr. DuBose is a gentleman of fine promise, and great zeal and an honor to the every possible arrangement had been made to ensure success. Arrangements had been made with all the railroads leading into Charlotte for extra facilities, and this was quite an important factor in the general successful results.

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### LOCAL BRIEFS —

Farmers say that the effect of the recent freeze on the growing grain is not yet discernible.

The beautiful scenery at Boag's Opera House appears to be the subject of general admiration.

It is the general opinion that the rendition of "Mrs. Walthrop's Bachelors" on Tuesday night was the best amateur performance witnessed here since the war.

The carpenters have commenced work on a new dwelling, which will be built by J.E. McDonald, Esq. It will be situated near Mr. Henry Elliott's and will be quite an addition to that part of town.

The lumber is on the ground for erecting two new offices in rear of Law Range. They will be occupied when completed, we understand, by the County Auditor and the School Commissioner. They will front on Washington street.

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### ROCKTON & RION WILL KEEP CARRIER STATUS

The Rockton & Rion railway, in Fairfield county, will retain its status as a common carrier under a decision handed down today by the state public service commission. The announcement was made by J.C. Darby, the commission's chairman.

This matter had been before the commission since February, 1939, when the Palmetto Quarries company and Weston & Brooker company, both of Columbia, filed a petition asking that the commission revoke the railroad's common-carrier certificate.

The Columbia companies maintained that the railroad "is in fact, merely an industrial track with such a community of interest between it and its principal shipper, the Winnsboro Granite company, or companies controlled by the same, as to constitute them one and the same..."

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News has been received here of the death of Mrs. Lucy Rion Clark in Mulberry, Fla., February 10, 1940. Mrs. Clark was the last surviving member of the immediate family of Colonel James H. Rion and Mary-Catherine Weir. Surviving Mrs. Clark are her husband, Robert K. Clark, Mulberry, Fla., and several grandsons, nieces and nephews.

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Wheat in Fairfield is badly rusted. A most grateful rain refreshed Fairfield on Sunday and Monday.

The past few days have been cold. Cotton looks very much as though it needed an overcoat to keep it warm. When will we have equable weather?

**FINE WHEAT** — Mr. W.C. Rabb has shown us a bunch of wheat taken from his field that measures five feet in height. This is still another proof that we can raise as much grain here as can be raised in other states.

**THE CENTENNIAL** — The Mecklenburg Centennial is over-number among the things of the past, and the good people of Charlotte will rest quietly for another hundred years. It was a grand affair, worthy of the occasion and of the people who were the hosts of the day. As is known, the people of North Carolina and especially Charlotte have been on the *qui vive* for a long time, and every possible arrangement had been made to ensure success. Arrangements had been made with all the railroads leading into Charlotte for extra facilities, and this was quite an important factor in the general successful results.

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Business seemed to be flourishing in town on Friday.

The county commissioners are having the jail repaired.

It will soon be time now to talk about going to the mountains.

The weather it is said has been too cold for the grass to grow.

Approved County and School Claims bought by T.K. Elliott.

A pretty good rain fell on Thursday and Friday in some sections of the county.

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We feel that Poppy Day will have increased meaning to America this year, because renewed warfar in Europe has renewed the memory of those boys of ours who gave their lives "over there" twenty two years ago. It is for them that we put the poppy on each year, to show that we still remember and honor their sacrifices. It is the flower which grew where they fell and which now blooms on the coats of Americans who appreciate their service.

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### TOWN CLOCK PROJECT WINS WPA APPROVAL

Congressman J.P. Richards, Fifth District of South Carolina, has been notified by Mr. Frank A. March, Director, Project Control Division, WPA, Washington, D.C., that WPA Project No. 40358, in the amount of \$5,244, has been approved. It is to improve Town Hall building including replacing woodwork, plastering, painting, installing plumbing and electrical facilities, reinforcing and strengthening tower, and performing appurtenant and incidental work.

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Farmers tell us that cotton is opening very rapidly, and we are anxiously looking for the first bale in order to get some greenbacks, especially from some of those who say they will pay when they sell cotton.

**The State Fair** - It has been formally announced that the regular annual Fair of the State Agricultural and Mechanical Society will be held at the Fair Grounds in Columbia during the second week in November next. In addition to the regular premium list, additional inducements have been offered for a liberal display of the agricultural products of the State. A premium of \$300 is offered to the county that makes the largest and best exhibition of its products, including stock, mechanical implements, field crops and handiwork. A premium of \$200 is offered for the second best such exhibition. A premium of \$100 for the third best. Of course, in the counties where there are regularly organized agricultural societies, it is expected that these societies will un-  
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### Sale of Real Estate

In pursuance of a request from the *Cestius qui trust*, I will offer for sale on the 1st Monday in September next, at the courthouse door in Winnsboro, at public outcry to the highest bidder, all that piece, parcel, or tract of land, lying and situate in the county of Fairfield and State of South Carolina, near Youngsville, containing 257½ acres, more or less, and bounded on the north by lands of John Mobley, Andrew Mobley and Rubin Mobley, and on the east by lands of David Cork and John Simonton, on the south by lands of John Simonton and Andrew Mobley, and on the west by lands of Andrew Mobley.

Terms of sale - \$1,000 cash, the balance on a credit of one year, with interest from day of sale at the rate of 12 percentum per annum. Purchaser to give bond for said balance, secured by mortgage of the premise, well developed and ready for the picker. It was brought several days ago, but notice of it was inadvertently omitted.

The good people in the New Hope neighborhood are alive on the subject of education. They have gone to work and have succeeded in forming a company to establish a graded going to plant as much as they can cultivate, and I fear more than can be cultivated to an advantage. The acreage of small grain is about the same, I believe, as is generally sown.

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By Sharon Avery



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Farmers tell us that cotton is opening very rapidly, and we are anxiously looking for the first bale in order to get some greenbacks, especially from some of those who say they will pay when they sell cotton.

**The State Fair** - It has been formally announced that the regular annual Fair of the State Agricultural and Mechanical Society will be held at the Fair Grounds in Columbia during the second week in November next. In addition to the regular premium list, additional inducements have been offered for a liberal display of the agricultural products of the State. A premium of \$300 is offered to the county that makes the largest and best exhibition of its products, including stock, mechanical implements, field crops and handiwork. A premium of \$200 is offered for the second best such exhibition. A premium of \$100 for the third best. Of course, in the counties where there are regularly organized agricultural societies, it is expected that these societies will un-  
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### Sale of Real Estate

In pursuance of a request from the *Cestius qui trust*, I will offer for sale on the 1st Monday in September next, at the courthouse door in Winnsboro, at public outcry to the highest bidder, all that piece, parcel, or tract of land, lying and situate in the county of Fairfield and State of South Carolina, near Youngsville, containing 257½ acres, more or less, and bounded on the north by lands of John Mobley, Andrew Mobley and Rubin Mobley, and on the east by lands of David Cork and John Simonton, on the south by lands of John Simonton and Andrew Mobley, and on the west by lands of Andrew Mobley.

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**NEW STORE, NEW GOODS!** - The undersigned respectfully informs his friends and the public generally that he has just opened and daily receiving a fresh lot of General Merchandise, all of which the public are invited to inspect before making their purchases. Expect to leave for New York in a few days, where I will purchase one of the finest lines of Gents' and Boys' clothing ever brought to this market. My prices will correspond with the cut off on cotton crops this season, and those that call on me will realize the fact.

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A painting of Maud Muller, by Miss M.V. Elliott, of this place, attracted a great deal of admiration during the fair this week in Columbia.

The Anderson merchants will not buy cotton from anyone after eight o'clock at night.

That is not the custom in Fairfield but it ought to be.

Mrs. R.F. Martin died suddenly about eight o'clock Friday night from hemorage of the lungs. She leaves a husband and four small children to moan her sudden demise. Our whole community sympathizes with the bereaved family.

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The Presbyterian Church was crowded Sunday night to hear Rev. C.E. Chichester on his fourth sermon to young men. The subject was "bad company". The reverend speaker handled his subject in a masterly manner, and we earnestly hope the young men of town will follow his advice, especially some young lads who occupied rear seats in the church during the sermon. Should the same thing occur next Sunday night, we will be forced to use names for the benefit of our readers. These boys ought to pay heed to the text. "Evil communications corrupt good manners."

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A number of the members of the famous Wallace House of 1876-77 met at Wright's Hotel in Columbia on Wednesday for the purpose of effecting a permanent organization of its members and meeting together once a year. The organization was perfected and a number of committees appointed to arrange for a reunion during the next State fair. It is their purpose to have the Governor and other State officers at that time and our Democratic Senators present at the reunion. The meeting will be addressed by the Hon. W.H. Wallace, who presided over the House during that trying period.

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Daily meetings are being held throughout the county in the interest of the different candidates. There was quite a spirited one at Ridgeway Thursday. Two of the candidates came near having a "set to".

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We think it necessary to call the attention of the Board of Trustees of Mount Zion Institute to the fact that the door of the main building has been constantly opened for a month or more and is the common play ground of young boys. The lock is defective and should be repaired so as to save the building from any further damage. We don't know that any special damage has as yet been done, but a crowd of small boys in a school-room by themselves can accomplish no good to the furniture or building.

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A wood's fire destroyed the first church. A second building was erected across from the present residence of Mr. N.Z. Crumpton. This was used until 1833 when the church was erected in the present Aimwell cemetery. Some of our members have pleasant recollections of this old church. The present building was built first as a chapel for prayer meetings.

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Mr. W.H. Flenniken sold last week two Jerseys, one to a party in this State and the other to Col. Jno. F. Caldwell, at Davidson, N.C., and is in correspondence with several parties, not only for one or more, but for the whole herd.

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### Letter From East Chester

Messrs. Editors: If you will be kind enough to give me a little space in The News and Herald, I will give you an item from East Chester, which may be of interest to some who may peruse the columns of your paper. Everything here is dull, business almost suspended, owing to the scarcity of money.

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Misses Janie Burdell and B. Gill deserve commendation for the active part that they have taken in soliciting subscriptions for the benefit of Uriel Church. They have been very successful so far, having gotten forty dollars, which amount will be used to purchase lumber with which to ceil the church which was remodeled some time since.

On Tuesday night during Christmas, the young people from far and near, congregated at the residence of Mr. Joseph Burdell for a party. They came for a good time, nor were they in the least disappointed in their anticipations and expectations, for those who did not participate in the many dances, were most cordially entertained by the jovial Mr. B. and his estimable lady.

### 110 Years Ago

The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., January 12, 1876.

DEATH OF A VETERAN — Mr. A. McMeekin died in this county on the 9th inst., at the advanced age of 87 years. He was the last surviving member of Capt. William Kennedy's company, which served in the war of 1812.

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REMOVAL — Messrs. Connor & Chandler announce, in their advertisement, that they have removed to the store formerly occupied by Mr. John D. McCarley, where they are now ready to serve their friends and customers with anything in their line upon the most reasonable terms. Both these gentlemen are skillful artists, and guarantee all their work. They likewise keep in stock a good assortment of everything in their line. Give them a call.

WINNSBORO NATIONAL BANK — The shareholders of this bank at their annual meeting...unanimously received their old officers, as follows: president - Judge Wm. R. Robertson; cashier - S.B. Clowney; teller - Thos. K. Elliott; directors - Wm. R. Robertson, Henry Elliott, James B. McCants, Jas. Beaty, A.S. Douglass, James Brice, D.R. Flenniken, Geo. McMaster, James H. Rion, and William Johnston.

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#### 110 Years Ago

**The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., November 3, 1875.**

The beautiful residence of Mr. T.A. Robertson is nearly completed and really is an ornament to our "burg". Mr. R. has spent a great deal of time and money in having it neatly and tastily built and we are glad to say has succeeded. He will move into it next week.

**THE FAIR** — The coming State Fair will, without the shadow of a doubt, be the best that has taken place in Columbia since the war. Major Woodward, Col. Aiken and the rest of the society have spared no time in trying to make it a success, and we hope they will succeed. Prominent among the speakers that will be in attendance on the 9th of November are Hon. Jeff. Davis, Gov. Hendrix of Indiana, Gen. Colquitt and Col. Capers of Georgia, besides several other distinguished gentlemen. Let there be a general turnout.

**HORSE STOLEN** — Mr. George Robertson's horse was taken from its hitching place last Saturday and ridden off. A horse bearing the description of Mr. R.'s was taken up at Ridgeway, but his rider, Bill Bacot, was allowed to escape. Mr. R. has gone to Ridgeway, and we hope the horse will prove to be the one he is looking for. Saving machines can be generally used in this country, agriculture will receive a great impetus.

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had stolen from him. There are entirely too many tramps going through the country without any visible means of support. These rascals should be taken up as vagrants and made to work.

#### 100 Years Ago

**The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., October 21, 1885.**

**RESTAURANT**— At my restaurant you may find at all times the best of oysters, fish and best of meats the market affords. Come give me a trial and you will again. F.W. Habenicht. Near Passenger Depot.

**DEATH** — Miss Mary Tinkler, of the Jackson Creek section, died on Thursday, after an illness of several months at the age of 74 years.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. R.W. Craig, of the Cedar Creek neighborhood, who died on Monday last.

**WATCH GEORGE** — It is hard for a bachelor to cover up his tracks. The following from a recent issue of The Columbia Record gives an account of the wanderings of one of the leading lights of the B.P.U., and one we thought above suspicion:

Capt. Geo. McCants of the Winnsboro Bachelors' Protective Union, was at the Grand Central yesterday.

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The boys have put out bad reports about George. They say he about to fall from bachelor's grace, and go the way that many of the weak and vacillating members of the Union have gone.

The matrimonial market seems to be booming. A certain young gentleman of town informs us that he has been invited to attend four weddings within the next few weeks. Let the good work go on.

We acknowledge with thanks an invitation from W.E. James, Secretary of the Darlington Agricultural and Mechanical Fair Company to attend a fair at Darlington on the 28th of this month.

We are glad to see our friend Mr. O.M. Dantzler in town for a short stay amongst friends and relatives. Mr. Dantzler is practicing law in Orangeburg. We wish him success. He was once a resident of Fairfield county.

#### 45 Years Ago

**The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., October 31, 1940.**

#### MOSSY DALE

It was my good fortune to be at the Dargan Broom birthday party.

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such occasions, but none that surpassed this one in splendor and brilliance of finely dressed women and gallant men. The spread, from the viewpoint of variety of well cooked barbecue and hash, pies, custards, cake and the like and the sich, was as far above and beyond anything that I have ever eaten at Delano Roosevelt's table as is the refulgent splendor of the noonday sun compared to the glowworm in the forest.

There were at least one hundred guests.

The grand old hero who has tailed more red foxes than Major Woodward, was celebrating his 88 years, and to show the stuff that he is made of, he still enjoys holding hands with the young girls (all of which is very encouraging to this scribe).

The weather was fine and everything contributed to the glory of the occasion.

I was delighted to meet on the above occasion Dr. Dobson and a Baptist minister whose name I don't recall of Ridgeway. When I found that Dr. Dobson was an M.D., I told the man on my right that I was going to risk another piece of pie. The minister above mentioned, told some very laughable jokes and soon assembled a crowd around him.

I hope that it may be my pleasure to meet that minister again, for he is a man after my own heart.

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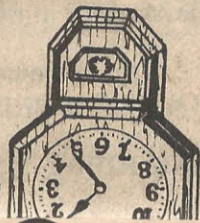
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### 110 Years Ago

The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., June 23, 1875.

**BATHING HOUSE** — If some enterprising citizen would put up a bathing house he would make money out of it.

The treasurer of the Winnsboro bowling alley association is prepared to pay a second dividend of fifty per cent this morning.

We regret to have to record the death of little George, youngest son of Dr. and Mrs. J.R. McMaster. His death occurred on Thursday last from cholera infantum.

County Auditor Peake will be at Doko today for the purpose of receiving tax returns, and tomorrow and Thursday will be at Ridgeway. Property owners will do well to take notice.

Tommy, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Smith, died very suddenly Tuesday, of cholera infantum. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of the entire community.

Considerable interest was caused in Winnsboro among the curious by the Wood's Reaper belonging to Major Woodward. Many had never seen the thing before. When labor-saving machines can be generally used in this country, agriculture will receive a great impetus.

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We learn that some of our citizens intend having a good time at Dr. F. Gerig's Rock Spring place, four miles above town, on the 3rd of July. Barbecue, picnic, dancing and shooting will be the order of the day. The Rock Spring place is the most desirable one that our friends could have chosen, and we hope they will have a good time. We understand the silver cornet band will do the "blowing".

**CROPS** — From what we can learn the crops generally throughout the county are splendid. In some portions of the county farmers are needing rain but are not suffering as yet. Large crops of wheat and oats have been harvested, and the countenances of our people generally begin to look brighter.

During the thunder shower Monday, several telegraph posts were shattered in town by lightning. One flash so badly demoralized the senior of the Western Union Telegraph's office and two of Mr. B. Sugenheimer's clerks, that they contemplated going into the lightning rod business.

Remember the spelling match on Friday evening. The ladies are busily engaged in getting it up, and it must be a success. Two fine prizes will be given. One for the best lady speller and one for the best speller among the male persuasion. We hope there will be a very full attendance. These matches, besides being very amusing,

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are very instructive, and a half dozen or so in Winnsboro would increase greatly the orthographic skill of the people. We don't mean to say there are any bad spellers in town. We know they are all good, but we want to give them a chance to prove their skill. Technical words will not be introduced unless necessary at the end of the game. Worcester and Webster will be the authorities.

### 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., June 17, 1885

**GRANITE**.- We learn that a company of Tennessee capitalists have leased the Crawford granite quarries which are situated near town, for the term of twenty years and will commence operations at once. The rocks will be hauled from the quarry to Rock City and from there shipped to the granite works of the company at Nashville, Tenn., where they will be manufactured for various purposes.

**COOL BRANCH SUNDAY SCHOOL** — Some days ago we received a communication giving a very entertaining account of the exercises of the Sunday School of Cool Branch Baptist Church, and some other matters of local interest. Unfortunately, the manuscript was put away so carefully that it has not

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since been found. We are sorry for this, as the article was from the pen of a gentleman whose contributions to The News and Herald are always read with pleasure, and because it is always gratifying to hear of the success of men like James F.V. Legg. As superintendent of the Cool Branch Sunday School, Capt. Legg has done much good work, and the fruit of his industry is plainly seen in the excellent condition of the institution under his charge.

### THE FIREMEN'S INSPECTION

— The Steam Fire Engine Company and the Stonewalls' were on parade Tuesday evening and attracted a good deal of attention. They were thoroughly inspected by the Town Council and found to be all "O.K.". The inspection being over the former company repaired to the court house where they enjoyed refreshments and held an election for officers. The following gentlemen were elected:

President, T.H. Ketchin; 1st director, H.B. McMaster; 2nd director, L. Samuels; 3rd director, W.J. Elliott; 4th director, J.P. Caldwell; solicitor, J.E. McDonald; secretary and treasurer, H.E. Ketchin; chief engineer, D.R. Flenniken; 2nd engineer, Dr. B.J. Quattlebaum; 3rd engineer, R.T. Matthews; axemen, H.Y. Milling, J.O. Boag; pipemen, D.A. Crawford, C.P. Gladden.

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June 18-23



They'll be pickin' and grinin' this Sunday afternoon at the 10th Annual Hootenany.  
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### 110 Years Ago

Fairfield Herald, Jan. 16, 1876

#### Forty Years Ago

Just forty years prior to this date (February 12), in response to a call for volunteers from the President of the U.S. to fight the Seminole Indians, in Florida, South Carolina furnished 10 companies of 75 men each. Old Fairfield, at a public meeting, 1st February, tendered 126 men. From this number it was "resolved, in order to comply with the requisite number, that all the married men should be excluded." At a subsequent meeting it was found that there were 86 single men (unmarried) and every man was determined to go; and they did go! They were received by a U.S. officer, and Fairfield was the only county in the State to whom 75 rations were given for 86 men, during the campaign; their supplies were furnished in strict accordance with U.S. Regulations; the commissary (Jas. R. Aiken) exercised his skill and discretion, so that no soldier could or did ever complain. Of this number of volunteers (the original roll, we understand, is yet preserved, there remain alive at the present day, only 13 members, whose names we annex: W.A. McCreight, 1st Lt.; Jas. R. Aiken, O.S.; Dr. Edward Gibson, Dr. T. T. Robertson, B.H. Robertson, David Camack, Jonathan Stanton, Jesse Wyrick, R.T. Lumpkin, Wm. Elkin, Thomas Sloan, James Gibson, Benjamin Macon. If there are any

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more we would be grateful to publish their names.

The captain, Derrill Smith, who was elected by the influence of the Cedar Creek Rifle Corps, was at the time engaged, and did marry on the night before the company left Fairfield; and he was brought home a corpse in May, 1836. Of those who have married since, we have nothing to say, but verily believe their descendants, are ready once more, like their fathers, to volunteer at all times in the cause of what they believe to be true, just and right. In this company but one soldier was killed but many died of disease contracted in the Florida campaign. The district owes them a debt of gratitude, if nothing more. Fairfield forever!!! Who will be the last soldier of the Florida war? Let the record be preserved.

### 100 Years Ago

News and Herald, Jan. 5, 1886

**THE WILDMANS**— This company gave their first entertainment of their present visit to Winnsboro at Thespian Hall, on Thursday night. The hall was crowded, and the performance was good. "Marriage and Divorce" was very creditably presented, the several players acting their parts finely. The extravaganza, "Our Prima Donna" caused much merriment, and the songs by "Little Ollie" were well rendered. Altogether the exhibition was an unusually good one. The performance

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The exhibition of this troupe on Saturday night, was fully as good as the previous ones, perhaps somewhat better. They had very full houses during their entire stay in Winnsboro, and those who saw their performances will be pleased to have them make our town another visit.

### 45 Years Ago

News and Herald, December 26, 1940

#### NEWS—EVENTS IN RIDGEWAY

The Christmas season was ushered in with a beautiful Christmas service at the Baptist church on Sunday morning. The church was attractive with its greenery. Rev. Leslie Edwards brought the message. The choir very capably rendered two selections, appropriate for the season. A fine assemblage of town folks gained an inspiration.

On Sunday night the children of the community, assisted by a few grown ups, held a very impressive Christmas service at the Presbyterian Church. The theme of the service was "Christmas Every Day".

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Margaret Clark, Wesley Starnes, Harriet Palmer and Carolyn Crumpton.

The readers, who very beautifully read the service were Mrs. R.L. Benn and Mrs. V.E. Barnett. The Rev. B.H. Franklin, Rev. Leslie Edwards, Rev. Bauknight and Rev. Charles Seymour assisted in the service.

Music was furnished by four groups of children. The pre-school group, under the direction of Mrs. R.L. Hartman and Miss Elmo Hinnant sang "Silent Night". Miss Jean Starnes led the first and second grade children in singing "A Lullaby". "Christmas Candles" was beautifully rendered by Miss Charlotte Taylor. A third group of graded children sang "A Song for Christmas" under the direction of Mrs. P.R. Scott and Mrs. W.B. Kennedy. The junior choir gave two selections: "O Little Town of Bethlehem", and "Gifts for Jesus". They were trained by Mrs. B.H. Franklin and Mrs. A.B. Coleman, Jr. Miss Wyarian Castine and Margaret Bowen sang a duet, "Nobody Knew 'Twas Christmas". The following young men portrayed the "Three Kings" and offered the beautiful Christmas song: R.E. Hinnant, James Bowen and Billy Kennedy. The senior choir consisted of Mrs. Harley, Mrs. W.C. Edmunds, Mr. T.J. Castine, Mr. Arthur Heins, Mr. Charles Moore, Mrs. A.R. Nicholson, Mrs. Herbert Hinnant and Mr. James Edmunds, Mrs. H. Weir was organist. Miss Elmo Hinnant, Mrs. A.B. Coleman, Jr., and Mrs. W.R. Goodson were accompanists.

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## 110 Years Ago

**The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., May 19, 1875**

The public well is out of order again.  
The town clock has had a hand put upon its Southern face.  
Arctic drinks of all discriptions can be had at Mr. Cooper's bar under Morris's hotel.

**GOOD FISHING**— A fishing party captured over five hundred fish on Jackson's Creek last Saturday, with a seine. This is good fishing for the creek.

The Bowling Alley is frequented by the elite of town. The ladies are present every day in full force, and display great skills in the manipulation of the balls.

**RACE HORSES** - Col. Thos. Bacon passed through Winnsboro last Sunday with several of his race horses, bound for Charlotte, where he intends to try their speed during the Centennial.

**EMPTY JAIL** — Our county jail is empty for the first time in two years. How long it will remain so we sayeth not. The jail needs white-washing very badly. Sheriff Ruff should look into this matter.

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## LATEST BRIEFS — LOCAL BRIEFS:

Cotton in places is said to be looking puny, owing to the cool nights.  
Small grain is said to be suffering from the depredations of insects.  
Approved County and School claims bought by T.K. Elliott.  
Judge Witherspoon will preside at the next term of Court here.  
Quite a number of commercial tourists in town during the past few days.  
The young folks of the Methodist Church in Columbia, will spend Thursday in the "Boro" picnicing.  
Judge Wallace has filed his decisions in several cases heard by him at the last term of Court here. There will perhaps be one or two appeals taken.  
A very lengthy excursion train carrying a picnic party from Charlotte to Columbia passed here on last Thursday morning. The entire population of the former city must have been aboard.  
**PERSONAL** — Miss Alice Barkley, of Nicolasville, Ky., who has been spending some time with relatives in town, returned home on Friday. Miss Barkley made many friends during her stay here, who parted with her with much regret. We wish her a safe and pleasant trip, and that she may soon come again.

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paid here to the memory of our fallen soldiers. At 5 o'clock p.m., on Monday a large crowd had assembled in front of the Court House and around the monument which was beautifully decorated with flowers. A procession consisting of the Gordon Light Infantry, and a line of carriage having formed on the College green, were marched down to this point. The guns were stacked on the speakers stand and the exercises were opened with prayer by the Rev. G.P. Watson. Gen. Bratton was then introduced to the audience. He delivered an eloquent address, paying especial compliment to the heroism and fidelity of the Southern ladies. He was listened to throughout with undiminished interest. At the close of his remarks, prayer was offered by the Rev. John T. Chalmers and the crowd dispersed the special committees repairing to the different church-yards to decorate the graves. Memorial Day will be observed by our people until time has taken all seeming reproach out of forgetfulness.

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meeting was called to order by Mrs. J.F. Dobson, president of the local U.D.C. Rev. Leslie Edwards led the devotional. The audience joined in singing a hymn, with Mrs. A.H. Nicholson at the piano.

Miss Marjorie Blundell, voice teacher at Columbia College, delighted those present with two solos. She was accompanied by Miss Anna Martha Spell, also of Columbia college.

The speaker for the evening was Dr. Frank Sells of the Columbia Bible college. He took as his theme, the 23rd Psalm, especially stressing the first sentence. In these troublesome days it seems as if we need to hear more of such soul-satisfying talks.

Mrs. W.S. DesPortes gave a very beautiful talk concerning "Memories". The audience stood in silence as "Taps" was sounded on the piano. The auditorium was beautiful with flags and flowers.

The Kiwanis club had as their guests on Tuesday night Prof. Williamson of the music department of Carolina and a quartet, also from Carolina. Prof. Williamson gave a very interesting talk about "Musical History". The quartet favored those present with several numbers.

Dinner was served by a committee from the local P.T.A., Mrs. Howard Snelling, chairman, with Mrs. V.E. Barnett, Mrs. Louie Nooe, Mrs. Charles Moore and Mrs. R.C. Thomas as assistants.

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also aided in the capture by communicating with the police on his radio.  
Steve Meisner and Faron Hood were able to return the handbag to its owner. Nothing had been taken, thanks to the alert efforts of two

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By Cathryn W. Kennedy

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## A Century of News

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### 110 Years Ago

The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., January 19, 1876

#### NOTICE

There will be no change in the business management of the News and Herald. Individual and partnership claims will be presented to W.H. Williams.

POST OFFICE HOURS — The post office will be open daily (Sundays excepted) from 9 a.m. to 12 N. and from 2 to 5 p.m. Northern and Southern mail close at 1 p.m. precisely. Mail delivered on Sundays from 9 to 9:30 a.m. only.

Mr. R.L. Dannenberg has a fine stock of goods. Call and see him.

Mr. A.P. Miller will accept the thanks of the editor for some unusually fine oranges. He has a few more of the same sort left.

REV. G.W. WALKER — This gentleman has just assumed pastoral charge of the Methodist church at this place, by appointment of the South Carolina Conference. Mr. Walker comes among us with most flattering credentials, being a son of one of the ablest ministers in the Methodist Church in South Carolina, and a nephew of one of the bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church South. He graduated at Wofford College in 1870, and during the following year was engaged in teaching, in Kentucky. Upon his return to this state, he joined Capt. John B. Patrick in the management of his High School at Greenville, continuing in that sphere of labor till moved to abandon it to enter the

Christian ministry. He is now in the second year of his ministry, and already gives evidence of talent and promise of usefulness in the church. We extend to him a cordial welcome, and our best wishes for his prosperity.

AN OLD NUISANCE — Complaints are again being made to us by many of our subscribers that their papers fail to reach them. This is not our fault. The mailing of the papers is in the hands of a trusty and experienced person, and we are quite sure that all the papers leave our office just as they should. The postmaster at Winnsboro, Mr. T.D. Oxner, is one of the most careful and efficient in the state, and we feel sure that no blame can attach to him or any one in his employ. The true solution is that persons still do what we have been more than once called on to condemn - they take other people's papers from the office without authority. This evil is hard to check, because it is difficult to detect the guilty persons.

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TWO BALES OF COTTON STOLEN — Considerable excitement has been occasioned in the northwestern section of the county, by the larceny, on Christmas night, of two bales of cotton belonging to Mr. David Crosby. A searching party found on Sunday one bale of the missing cotton in a gully, near the Buckhead place, nearly six miles from the screw of Mr. Crosby. About

five miles from the screw, a place which looked as if cotton had been unloaded was found by some of the searchers, but up to latest accounts no trace of the other missing bale could be found.

DEATH OF AN OLD NEGRO — On last Sunday, Adam Blake, an old black man living on Mr. H.L. Elliott's place, breathed his last. Perhaps no citizen of our town was better acquainted with the history of Winnsboro than old Adam. He came to this place in 1813 a mere lad, and had lived here continually every since. He had a remarkable memory, remembering the merest details of happenings in and around the town for over a half century. To illustrate his wonderful memory, we have only to say that he hauled the town clock from Charleston, and remembered the weight of almost every article connected with it. All will join with us in saying "peace to his ashes".

THE COLD SNAP — It is a rare thing that our people are forced to experience such weather as we have had for the past few days. In fact the old saying that the "oldest inhabitants" never experienced any such weather, has been remarked frequently within the past week. It seems to be a general cold spell over the entire country. In Minnesota the mercury ran down to 40° below zero. Conductor Sprinkle remarked on Saturday, that he had been employed as a conductor on the Charlotte, Columbia & Augusta Railroad for eleven years, and it was the first day he had worn an overcoat the entire day, and that it was the most disagreeable day he had ever experienced. There has been a general

freezing up, and at present there seems to be no hope of a change. Wood is in good demand as a consequence of the snap.

#### ITEMS FROM BLACKSTOCK

Mr. W.F. Coleman has rented A.B. Douglass' dwelling in town and will move into it very soon.

Mr. Willie and Miss Mary Van Ness of Charlotte, have spent the holidays here with their grandmother, Mrs. Rosborough.

Several of the boys and girls who have been attending school away from home, returned to spend the holidays, but nearly all have gone back to their respective schools.

An entertainment was given at Woodward's consisting of charades, tableaux, etc., one night last week. - After these diversions dancing was indulged in by quite a number of the young people.

Mr. John T. Bigham who was recently married to Miss Mary Miller, of Due West, has, with his wife, been spending some time at his home near here, but has returned to Lowrysville where he will continue his school.

Farm hands seem to be somewhat scarce in some sections, owing, I suppose, to the fact that numbers have left this winter for the great West. - There seems to be a disposition on the part of many to hire for wages. This is not strange when we remember how many of those who have been cropping and renting have been sold entirely out of everything in the way of provisions.

The Chester Reporter



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The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C. September 8, 1875.

Mr. U.G. Desportes is improving his store in cotton town, in fact, improvements are going on all over the 'boro.

A very pleasant hop was given by the base ball club to their visitors on Tuesday evening at the College. Festivities were prolonged till after midnight.

The Mansion House on Main Street in Columbia, a few doors below the Columbia Hotel, is becoming a favorite caravansary. Mrs. Breazele keeps a first class table, a rarity in hotel experience, and the ton of Columbia board there. Terms are very moderate. We advise our Fairfield friends to give the Mansion House a try.

Ho! For Camden - The dauntless base ball club accompanied by several friends leave this morning for Camden, where they will play a matched game with the Kershaws tomorrow afternoon. Ye local will accompany the Dauntless under the special care of Col. Terrill.

PERSONAL - We are glad to note the return of our young friend, Mr. C.M. Chandler. Charley has been in the mountains of North Carolina for several weeks hunting up his health, and from the improvement his trip has had upon him we think he found it.

We were glad to meet our old friend, Col. T.M. Graham, of Chester.

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DULL TIMES - The Boro is in need of something new to stir it up. We recommend the News & Courier to our people as one of the best newspapers in the country.

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## NOTES FROM LYLES' FORD

Messrs. Editors: As no one gives you the news of late from this section of our county, perhaps a few items from an octogenarian may not be amiss for your readers.

First, I am pleased to say that in

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our immediate vicinity we have not suffered for want of rain to the extent of other section in our county. Yet the effects of the late drought have been almost universal. We were visited by light rain on yesterday which, no doubt, will facilitate the growth of late planted corn, potatoes, peas and garden vegetables, and give us an opportunity of sewing turnip seed, but too late for the cotton crop.

I notice the agricultural reports, so far, are high as to the cotton crop this year. It is, no doubt, exaggerated. The late drought has curtailed the yield immensely in nearly all the cotton States. I read a letter yesterday from Texas, stating that three-fourths of the cotton was open, and not more than half a yield would be realized in Brazos county and vicinity this year. I take a Texas paper, which corroborates nearly the same account in general in that State. From all that we now see and hear, the present cotton crop will not exceed that of 1882 but little, if any.

The prospect for a corn crop, so far, is propitious. Our State should no longer buy corn or flour; neither should we be indebted to the West for much bacon or hay. We can produce all these here. No State has more facilities for self-reliance or sustenance than ours. I have traveled over many of our States and have never found one in which so many natural advantages, comforts and facilities exist as in our old Palmetto State. Stay here, improve your soil and be content to bury your bones with your worthy ancestors, who sought a home in the happy South from religious and political persecutions in olden time. With industry and economy we can yet be a happy and prosperous people.

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Lyle's Ford, S.C., August 29, 1885.

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A slight runaway occurred in front of the Court House yesterday with a three mule team. Nobody hurt and no damage done.

The Berger Troupe are booked for two nights at the Thespian Hall this winter. They say that Sol Smith will be along.

Our young friend Mr. E.W. Aiken leaves us today for the Charleston Medical College, at which institution he expects to graduate next spring. Mr. A. is a hard student, and we hope he will bear off the first honor of his class.

Rev. Mr. Chichester preached on Sunday night to a full congregation, the first of a series of sermons addressed to the young men. The sermon was quite able and was attentively listened to. It treated of two subjects, disobedience to parents and Sabbath-breaking in its various forms - transaction of business, planning business operations, Sunday strolling, absence from Church and visiting depots and post offices, and secular reading on the Sabbath. These sermons will be continued.

**THE NEWS & COURIER** — We had the pleasure yesterday of meeting Messrs. Solomon and Marion, traveling agents of the Charleston News & Courier. These gentlemen are stopping at Brown's Hotel, where they will be glad to see any of our citizens who wish to subscribe to their paper. We cordially recommend the News & Courier to our people as one of the best newspapers in the country.

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#### Local Briefs

Cotton sold on Friday for 9/4.

General John Bratton was in town on Friday.

Considerable cotton was sold in town on Wednesday.

Farmers around town have commenced sowing their fall oats.

There was a very pleasant dance at Boag's Opera House on Friday night.

Mr. Propsts and family now occupy Mr. Timmons' house on Evans street.

The senior editor of The News and Herald is off on business for a few days.

Mr. Amos E. Davis, deputy internal revenue collector was in town on Monday.

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**A HAPPY OCCASION** — A number of friends gathered at the residence of Mrs. J.B. McCants on Wednesday - the occasion being the marriage of Miss Laura G. McCants to Mr. R.B. Miller, of Shelby, N.C. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. D.E. Jordan, pastor of Zion Presbyterian Church of this place. At its close the congratulations and good-wishes extended to Mr. and Mrs. Miller showed the interest felt by the assembled company. After a time spent in pleasant conversation a delightful collation was served, and made up one of the very enjoyable features of the occasion. The bridal party left on the northbound train, at three o'clock, for Goldsboro, where they will be entertained by relatives of the groom. Thence they will go to Shelby, to make that place their home. Winnsboro sends after them hearty wishes for their long continued happiness - none the less hearty because mingled with regret at the loss of one of her most admired young ladies.

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### Death of Capt. R.C. Clowney

Capt. Robert C. Clowney, a well-known resident of this county, died at his home on last Thursday morning after an illness of some length, from pleuro-pneumonia. He was naturally of vigorous constitution, and had generally enjoyed fine health. The funeral services took place on Friday. Captain Clowney was a native of Fairfield, and was about forty-five years of age. He entered the Confederate service as a private in the Buckhead Guards, and afterwards rose to the position of captain of that company...

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### March 25, 1884:

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Our farmers are making preparations for a large crop of cotton.

The improvement in agricultural machinery is one of the marvels of the age.

Many were surprised on getting up on Wednesday morning to find the ground covered with snow. They should not have been, however, as expectedness has certainly been up for several months, the leading characteristic of the weather in these parts.

## 45 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., March 28, 1940.

### Organization and Growth of Stephen Greene Memorial Baptist Church.

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In 1914, the need was great and the field ripe for a few believing Christians to get together and do something about the Master's Kingdom. This they did in launching the church on faith and prayer. Each pastor came and served this group of people, leading them higher in faith and forward in achievements until the present church is an outstanding pillar of the community...The church has grown from a one room church building with twenty members to a large, fine building with a membership of five hundred; three hundred and fifty of which are resident members. The Sunday school has grown from an enrollment of twenty to forty, to its present enrollment of four hundred. From time to time the church building has been improved...

### Spring Clean-Up

Now is a good time to begin a general clean-up, in public and private places, in backyards and back alleys, on the streets and in the homes. At this season of the year, nature contributes a lot of free beautification work but she needs some assistance. The plots along Congress Street which were wired off and planted to Italian Rye grass by order of the mayor and council, is one illustration that a little cooperation can go a long way. A clean town, like a clean tooth, is slow to decay.

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### A BRILLIANT WEDDING

At White Oak, on the evening of the 24th ult., Miss Leonora Milling was happily united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. C.C. Whitesides, of Union. It had been previously announced that this indissoluble compact would be solemnized in our new and handsome Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, and the public had been invited to witness it; but owing to the inclemency of the weather the bridal party, together with a few friends and relatives of the bride, repaired to the residence of Mr. A.J. Hamilton, where the solemn and impressive ceremony was performed by the Rev. J.P. Marion, assisted by the Rev. J.A. White.

The attendants represented the beauty and chivalry of portions of Fairfield, York and Union. Here is a list of them: Mr. D.M. Milling and Miss Beulah Whitesides, Mr. S.G. Clowney and Miss Anna McFadden, Mr. L.A. Rodgers and Miss Eliza Patrick, Mr. J.S. Brice and Miss Lorena Milling, Mr. J.H. Milling and Miss Minnie Yongue, Mr. W.N.

## 110 Years Ago

The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., March 10, 1875.

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Milling and Miss Susie Lemmon, Mr. J.L. Harris and Miss Sallie Coleman, Mr. A.Y. Milling and Miss Sallie Brown, Mr. W.M. Patrick and Miss Lizzie Gordon, Mr. D.A. McDowell and Miss Mary Clowney. All these ladies were naturally rich in beauty, and they looked so exquisitely handsome on this occasion that several of the gallant partners grew "dangerously sentimental".

The bridal party enjoyed Mrs. Hamilton's sumptuous feast immensely, and charmingly entertained themselves until a late hour.

The bride was one of our most handsome and amiable young ladies and she had a large number of true and devoted friends to wish her God-speed on the threshold of matrimonial life. She received more than thirty beautiful and valuable presents.

Philo

### Local Briefs

There is but little cotton shipped from this point now-a-days.

These are hard times on tramps and people who are out of wood.

We observed some cotton selling in town on Friday. The best will bring 10 cents.

The bridges on the streets are receiving the attention of the Town Council.

There is talk among the sports of getting up a mule race, to come off at an early date.

We were glad to see on our streets on Friday our friend Capt. W.B. Woodward, from near Woodward's. It is not frequent that the Captain pays our town a visit, and we think it worthy of notice. We will be glad to see him often.

**DEATH** — Mr. R.P. Curry, an old and estimable citizen of this county, died, after a brief illness, at his residence near Jenkinsville on Sunday morning, in the eighty-sixth year of his age. He was born on the first day of January, 1800, and lived through all the eventful years of the present century a quiet but useful life. He was for many years a consistent member of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. He leaves a family and many friends to whom we tender our sympathies.

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The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., March 7, 1940.

### NEWS—EVENT IN RIDGEWAY

Rev. and Mrs. Leslie Edwards of the Baptist church, also the deacons and their wives, were honored at a dinner Tuesday evening by Miss Jem Hinnant and Mr. Carl Hinnant. The table was centered with a bowl of lovely spring flowers with tall white candles in crystal holders. A turkey dinner was served.

At the March P.T.A. meeting the attraction will be ten boys from the Y.M.C.A. in Columbia, who call themselves "The Tumblers". There will be an impersonator in the group. They will give a display of acrobatic stunts. The Ridgeway basketball boys will be guests both at the meeting and the supper to be served them and the "Tumblers" after the meeting.

### JANIE TODD GLADDEN

### DIES AT MITFORD

Janie Todd Gladden, born in Lancaster County, Oct., 1894, was the daughter of Mr. R.D. Todd. She was educated in the Lancaster schools and studied nursing at the Pryor hospital in Chester, taking a post graduate course at Bellevue hospital in New York City. She was married Dec. 27, 1921, to Mr. Bratton Gladden of Great Falls.

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Funeral services were held at Bethesda Methodist Church Saturday morning at 11 o'clock with Rev. Paul S. Anderson, Rev. W.S. Patterson and Dr. Oliver Johnson in charge...

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We learn that Dr. Furman purposes to make a lecturing tour through other states. We bespeak for him a warm welcome.

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The thanks of the office are tendered to Messrs. McDonald & Aiken for some fine cigars. These cigars puff themselves. Try them.

The weather never will get settled. Although this is March, the farmers have done but little, and gardens are at a discount.

PERSONAL — Mr. Sol Wolfe has returned to Grand Rapids, Mich. in obedience to the mandate "go west". Mr. Wolfe's numerous friends regret his departure, but tender him best wishes for success in his new field.

Mr. M.W. Aiken has returned from his first course of medical lectures in Charleston. He looks well.

We learn that Mr. Austin Scott has also returned home.

We had the pleasure on Monday of meeting at Ridgeway Mr. Edward Thomas, who for the past few years has been located in Jefferson, Texas in one of the leading banks in that town. He gives favorable accounts of the prosperity of that section. He is out on a visit to his relatives.

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are to be made on badly eroded land, and in meadows to receive water from terraces. The Soil Conservation service will be glad to furnish any cooperating farmer methods and supervision as to how to procure seed and grow out his own plants.

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The Charlotte Observer has of late been coming very irregularly indeed. Whose fault is this?

**Unique** - Those silk hats at **Dannenbergs**. Something nobby. They are the New Idea.

Mr. D.B. Fleniken showed us a turnip Tuesday, grows in his garden, which measures 22 inches in circumference and weighs 6½ pounds. It is of the globe variety. Who can beat this?

An attempt was made a few days since to burn the barn adjoining buildings on the plantation of Mr. Edward Robertson near Gladney's Ford on Little River. Fortunately the fire was discovered before any serious damage was done, the only property destroyed being a small quantity of fodder.

### MARRIED

On Thursday morning the 6th of January, by Rev. W.G. Rollins of Walterboro, S.C., **M. Coleman**, to **Miss A.J. Feaster**, daughter of David R. and Mrs. Victoria E. Feaster of Fairfield County, S.C.

### 100 Years Ago

**The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., January 28, 1885.**

#### ITEMS FROM WHITE OAK

Farmers say the oat crop in this vicinity has been badly injured by the cold weather.

The Academy of this place has all the paraphernalia of a successful and progressive school - desks, blackboards, rostrum, bell, clock, etc. Numerically the school is in a flourishing condition. Thirty-seven pupils are enrolled at present.

The firm of **J.M. Galloway & Co.** has been dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. Galloway finding the duties of his vocation (farming) and of his evocation (merchandising) too laborious, withdrew from the store and will devote his entime time hereafter to agricultural pursuits. **Mr. W.L. Timmons** takes his place in the store. The firm now goes under the name of **John Vinson & Co.**

There has been some immigration to and some emigration from our village recently. Mr. W.L. Wooten, the section-master on this division of the Charlotte, Columbia & Augusta Railroad, has moved into a new house near the depot. Mr. W.L. Timmons and family, formerly of

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Mr. J.E. Gilbert has got his bathing house in full operation, and we earnestly advise our citizens to patronize him liberally, for we know a great many of them need soap and water, and plenty of it.

The northern bound mail train on the C.C. & A.R.R. arrived at Winnsboro two hours behind time last Sunday evening. The cause of the delay was the running off of an excursion train a few miles below Batesville.

We walked over Judge Neil's cotton patch of about four acres yesterday morning, and consider it the finest cotton we have seen in a long time. The stalks will average about four feet in height and are heavily fruited.

FOR THE NORTH — Our young and enterprising merchant Mr. R.L. Dannenberg, successor to Dannenberg & Co., left for the North on Saturday. As goods are very cheap at present, it seems that he intends to take the advantage of the same. He assures us that he intends to buy a larger and more complete stock than ever before, and we are assured that he will keep his word. Much success on his journey.

We copy the following from the Union-Herald:

Mrs. Marion Gibson, daughter of Dr. T.R. Center, and a teacher through the last session of the Columbia female college, died of gastritis at her father's residence in Richland county, July 5, 1875. In her gentle and affectionate spirit this estimable christian lady had greatly endeared herself to the faculty and young ladies of the college. After the recent commencement Mrs. G. returned home, and in less than a week she died.

At an early hour Saturday morning a large number of our citizens repaired to the track near Adgers to witness the race between "Champ" and "Kirkpatrick". On arriving at the ground, "Champ's" friends became a little tender-footed and paid the forfeit rather than have their horse beaten. When it was found out the "Champ" party refused to run, "Stocking Legs" and "Lady of the Lake" were put upon the track and ran six hundred yards. "Lady of the Lake" won by fifteen feet.

Chas. A. Douglass, W.L. McDonald, M.B. McMaster, and J.K. Alston - after mature deliberation, decided that the medal should be given to Mr. J.A. Heffner as the best speaker. This announcement called forth a hearty round of applause from the audience, proving that the decision of the judges was endorsed by the audience.

Mr. J.C. Patrick was selected for special honorable mention and it is not improper to remark that this is but giving him his due. He is deserving of highest commendation for the way in which he acquitted himself.

The Principal, Mr. J.S. Brice, next introduced Mr. W.L. McDonald, who had consented to deliver the prizes.

Miss Janette Patrick, who not having misspelled a word since last October, was awarded the prize on orthography.

## 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., July 8, 1885

Winnsboro's Progress in Five Years

In this day of business progress men are prone to overlook the improvement going on immediately around them and the progress made by them. This is true, not only of individuals, but villages, cities and communities. It is always a matter of interest to know the progress made by any section of the country, and to do this it is necessary to select a certain period of years and note the improvements made within this time.

It will probably be of interest to the people of Winnsboro and of the county generally to know what progress and improvements have been made at the county seat in the last five years. Of course this improvement has been gradual, and at no one time has it attracted more than ordinary attention, but when we come to consider it as a whole and note the amount of money expended we get some idea of the progressive spirit abroad and in town.

In 1880, if we are not mistaken, Evans street was opened and a number of lots sold off, which seemed to be the beginning of a building boom which has continued every since, and spread itself over every section of town. Below we give the list of new buildings put up in the last five years with a rough estimate of their cost:

Rev. J.T. Chalmers, new dwelling and outbuildings, \$3,000.

J.H. Cummings, new dwelling and outbuildings, \$3,000.

J.E. McDonald, two new dwellings and outbuildings, \$6,500.

C.M. Chandler, new dwelling and outbuildings, \$2,500.

W.L. Timmons, new dwelling and outbuildings, \$2,500.

S.S. Gibson, new dwelling and outbuildings, \$1,500.

T.K. Elliott, new dwelling and outbuildings, \$3,000.

G.H. McMaster, new dwelling and outbuildings, \$3,500.

W.G. Jordan, new dwelling and outbuildings, \$3,000.

J.Q. Davis, new dwelling and outbuilding, \$2,000.

W.C. Rion, new dwelling and outbuildings, \$3,000.

the public school system now in force, added new laurels to those already won and which he wears so gracefully.

After Dr. Boyd had finished, we were invited to a table groaning under the weight of dainty delicacies and substantial viands, which attested the abilities of the housekeepers of the White Oak section, and entitles them to a place in the front row of culinary artists.

Your correspondent, after several years of experience, had about concluded that it was impossible to go to any corner of Fairfield county where the dismal cry of "hard times" would not be heard. White Oak is an exception, and from the cheerful faces of the farmers, and well cultivated crops and well kept stock one sees in this section he is apt to conclude that *hard times* are unknown in this

G.B. Dunn, new dwelling and outbuildings, \$3,000.

R.C. Gooding, new dwelling and outbuildings, \$2,500.

Mrs. Gaillard, new dwelling and outbuildings, \$1,500.

J.N. Center, new dwelling and outbuildings, \$2,000.

D.V. Walker, new dwelling and outbuildings, \$3,500.

Mrs. Chaplin, new dwelling and outbuildings, \$1,500.

Mrs. Owens, new dwellings and outbuildings, \$1,500.

A. Williford, new stables, \$2,500.

J.J. Neil, new office, \$500.

Turner & Co., new store, \$800.

J.O. Boag, opera house, \$1,500.

Mrs. Duval, improving hotel, \$1,500.

D.J. Macaulay, dwelling improved, \$700.

J.P. Caldwell, dwelling improved, \$300.

Black Presbyterian church, \$1,500.

Black Methodist church, \$1,500.

Connor & Chandler, new store, \$1,000.

Besides the improvements above named there have been quite a number of dwellings repainted and repaired. Both Presbyterian churches repaired, and a handsome iron fence has been placed around the Associate Reformed Presbyterian graveyard. Making an aggregate expenditure within the last five years in round numbers of about \$65,000, or at the rate of \$13,000 annually...

## 45 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., July 25, 1940

MRS. HARRIS McDONALD ENTERTAINS FOR BRIDE

Miss Edith Amidon, whose marriage to Jack Hilton will be a social event of mid-August, was the honor guest on Thursday afternoon when Mrs. R.H. McDonald gave a pretty party, inviting five tables of friends. Mrs. A.E. Jury, mother of the guest of honor, called for the social hour.

A color motif of green, yellow and white was artistically carried out in the floral decorations, table appointments and refreshments. Miss Amidon's place was marked with a lovely corsage. After four progressions, scores were tallied, high score prize, a vanity, was won by Miss Nelle McMaster, and low score prize, a book, was won by Mrs. Theatre, old slave market, Ft. Sumter hotel and several famous churches. I believe interest in the old churches ran highest for all seemed loath to leave the musty realms of St. Michaels, where we were allowed to browse at will, examining old books and pictures, reading inscriptions and even "saying a prayer for ourselves, for the minister, and for any who may come here to worship" as a small, framed quotation hanging in the vestibule of the church requested us to do.

We also visited the grave of DuBose Heyward in St. Phillip's cemetery. The flowers were still weighing down the new turned sod and we paid our respects to one of South Carolina's departed poets.

The chamber of commerce gave us one evening's entertainment of

score, a Pond's toilet set, went to Mrs. M.A. Beesinger. The honor guest was presented a beautiful trousseau gift, and sharing honors were three other brides-elect, Miss Nelle McMaster, who was given a pair of linen towels; Miss Mary Wylie, who received a cookie jar, and Miss Louisa Lyles, who was the recipient of Fostoria salt dishes, with silver spoons. Mrs. M.A. Beesinger, of Utica, N.Y., the former Carolyn Elliott, received a guest towel.

The hostess served yellow apricot sherbet in green glasses with heart shaped sandwiches in green and yellow and chicken salad sandwiches on green plates, with cookies and mints further carrying out the chosen color motif.

## WYLIE—WRIGHT

Miss Mary Gayden Wylie and James Kerr Wright were married Friday morning, July 19, at the home of the bride by Dr. G.G. Mayes, who officiated, using the ring ceremony with only the immediate members of her family and Mrs. W.B. Wright of Shelton, mother of the bridegroom, present.

The ceremony was performed in the living room before a handsome pier mirror which reflected the whole scene. Gladioli, snapdragons, petunias and Queen Anne's lace were artistically arranged throughout the lower floor of the home.

The bride was attired in a triple sheer costume suit of navy with white and blue accessories, and wore a corsage of pink rosebuds and lilies of the valley.

Immediately after the ceremony, the couple left for a wedding trip to Florida.

Mrs. Wright is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Campbell Wylie. She is a graduate of Mount Zion, attended Winthrop College and graduated in business from Draughton's College, Columbia. She has held a secretarial position in Winnsboro Mills office for several years.

Mr. Wright is the youngest son of Mrs. W.B. Wright, and the late Mr. Wright, of Shelton. He is a graduate of Clemson College and has been connected with Fairfield county offices since graduation.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright will reside at their home in Winnsboro.

and we are so very grateful to those who engineered it. We wish to express our thanks to Miss Layton, Miss Moore, Miss Richards and Miss Carson for standing by us and helping us to see and appreciate all the beautiful things that came to us while in Charleston.

A list of Fairfield women attending is as follows: Mrs. J.D. Lyles, Miss Agnes Ruff, Mrs. Eva Mann, Mrs. Hattie Blair, Mrs. James Robinson, Misses Mary Sue and Jessie Robinson, Mrs. Will Long, Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Matthews, Mrs. Lemmon and Miss Janie Bell Lemmon, Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Kennedy, Mrs. Weir, Mrs. Burley, Mrs. Ragsdale, Mrs. Brooks, Miss Ethel Mann, Mrs. Boulware, Mrs. Frasier, Mrs. Peay, Miss Lila Moore and Mrs. Hill.

## 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., June 24, 1885.

### THE WHITE OAK ACADEMY

*Messrs. Editors:* This flourishing institution closed the academic year with a public entertainment of a most interesting character of Friday, June 19, and it will perhaps interest the readers of The News and Herald to have a short sketch of the exercises.

The entertainment took place in a grove of magnificent oaks, whose thick foliage furnished much-needed protection from the burning rays of the noonday sun. The first feature of the occasion was the contest for a handsome silver medal, to be awarded the best speaker.

As the first speaker, Mr. Jas. Boulware was presented and rendered with credit to himself an extract from one of Senator Hill's Congressional speeches on reconstruction.

Mr. J.A. Heffner, the next speaker, had chosen for his speech "The Rains of Time", and with the gestures, graces and well-trained voice of a polished orator, thrilled his audience with the rendition of this most beautiful composition.

H.G. Huey deserves praise for the way in which he spoke his piece, "The South Once More in the Union".

R.H. Lucas delivered an eulogy on "Georgia" that would have caused the breasts of our "goober grabbing" brothers across the Savannah to swell with pride had they heard it.

J.C. Patrick, fifth speaker, had chosen a selection well calculated to put his powers to a severe test, and his rendition of that most difficult selection, "The Black Horse and his Rider", goes to prove that he had not overrated his ability.

M.M. Ross won well-merited applause by his good delivery of one of Jno. W. Daniel's patriotic compositions, "The South is Rising Up".

M.M. White, the last speaker, had chosen the old familiar selection, "Spartacus to the Gladiators", and so well did he deliver this stirring address that we almost imagined ourselves a gladiator.

The board of judges - General John Bratton, Rev. Mr. Mills and Messrs. Chas. A. Douglass, W.L. McDonald, M.B. McMaster, and J.K. Alston - after mature deliberation, decided that the medal should be given to Mr. J.A. Heffner as the best speaker. This announcement called forth a hearty round of applause from the audience, proving that the decision of the judges was endorsed by the audience.

Mr. J.C. Patrick was selected for special honorable mention and it is not improper to remark that this is but giving him his due. He is deserving of highest commendation for the way in which he acquitted himself.

The Principal, Mr. J.S. Brice, next introduced Mr. W.L. McDonald, who had consented to deliver the prizes.

Miss Janette Patrick, who not having misspelled a word since last October, was awarded the prize on orthography.

Mr. Walter Vinson was awarded the prize for the best Latin scholar. As Mr. Vinson was absent attending the examination for admission to Davidson College, the prize was turned over to his father.

Miss Lillian Vinson won the second prize in Latin.

Mr. M.M. White won the prize as the best essayist. Mr. White also won a special prize, given by Mr. E.B. Ragsdale, to any pupil who would translate and correct a difficult Latin sentence containing an error.

Mr. J.A. Heffner was then presented with the handsome medal, given to the best speaker.

This closed the portion of the exercises in which the pupils were actors. The Principal then introduced Mr. Chas. A. Douglass, who had been invited to deliver an address to the pupils.

Mr. Douglass expressed his satisfaction in responding to a call from constituents who in his hour of need had responded with such unanimity to his appeal. He congratulated the Principal of the academy and the parents of the scholars upon the display which had been made. He proceeded then to point out the great importance of giving encouragement to the district schools. He divided his address under three heads - the duty of parents to themselves, the duty to the children and the duty to the State. Every parent should desire to have his child occupy a more advanced position in the world than he (the parent) occupied. This could only be done by allowing the child to utilize the culture of the parent as a foundation upon which to build. The world today is governed by men of thought and brains, and education was the instrument with which they work. It is a sacred duty, therefore, to place this instrument in the hands of their children.

The children of today were the citizens to whose hands the destinies of the State were to be entrusted in the future. Parents should see that this holy charge was not placed in ignorant hands.

Mr. Douglass then closed by introducing as the next speaker, Dr. John Boyd.

Dr. Boyd, in an earnest, thoughtful appeal for cooperation and help for the public school system now in force, added new laurels to those already won and which he wears so gracefully.

After Dr. Boyd had finished, we were invited to a table groaning under the weight of dainty delicacies and substantial viands, which attested the abilities of the housekeepers of the White Oak section, and entitles them to a place in the front row of culinary artists.

Your correspondent, after several years of experience, had about concluded that it was impossible to go to any corner of Fairfield county where the dismal cry of "hard times" would not be heard. White Oak is an exception, and from the cheerful faces of the farmers, and well cultivated crops and well kept stock one sees in this section he is apt to conclude that *hard times* are unknown in this

region. If all sections were populated with such go-ahead, progressive farmers and public spirited citizens, Fairfield, instead of being "a good county to move from", would be the garden spot of the state.

Such a scholastic exhibition proves that all that is needed to make our public school system a success is the cooperation of all citizens, whether parents or not. Such a school is a credit to any neighborhood, and the young principal who has made it such a success deserves all praise and honor...

## 45 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., July 1, 1945.

### FAIRFIELD WOMEN ENJOY TRIP TO CHARLESTON, S.C.

By Mrs. Pope Brooks

Twenty-six farm women of Fairfield county joined thirty-five Chester county women at a camp at The Citadel, Charleston, June 19-22. Leaving Winnsboro at 9:40 on a Monticello school bus driven by William Burley, they stopped in Columbia for some car adjustments then on their way happily singing. Lunch had been prepared by the women and a stop on the roadside where a well afforded them plenty of cool water a picnic was enjoyed. Rested and refreshed the journey was resumed and our destination reached about 4 o'clock. On arriving we found women from Newberry, Spartanburg and Cherokee counties already in camp, though after two meals together, a group of over 200 women, the last three counties named, broke camp and left Fairfield and Chester to enjoy the sights of the city and its numerous surrounding attractions.

It is ever a delight to camp at the Citadel and this time we were assigned to the newest barracks, nice, new, clean rooms with running water and fairly good beds.

Our meals were served in the annex which was smaller and more suited to our group than the larger dining room.

Of course, we saw the usual sights, museum, battery, Dock Street Theatre, old slave market, Ft. Sumter hotel and several famous churches. I believe interest in the old churches ran highest for all seemed loath to leave the musty realms of St. Michaels, where we were allowed to browse at will, examining old books and pictures, reading inscriptions and even "saying a prayer for ourselves, for the minister, and for any who may come here to worship" as a small, framed quotation hanging in the vestibule of the church requested us to do.

We also visited the grave of DuBose Heyward in St. Phillip's cemetery. The flowers were still weighing down the new turned sod and we paid our respects to one of South Carolina's departed poets.

The chamber of commerce gave us one evening's entertainment of

music and sleight-of-hand tricks after an historical sketch by one of their members. Some of the younger and less "tuckered out" of the group enjoyed some old fashioned square dancing at this time. Always one of our highlights is our visit to the Citadel chapel there on the campus. There was a lovely organ recital after Prof. Simmons recital of the building itself and all its lovely appointments. We were so interested in the gorgeous windows, almost all of them are memorial windows, having been contributed by some class or individual. Out in the vestibule is a bronze plaque which has been placed there to honor mothers of Citadel boys.

President Summerall spoke to us in his delightful way, bidding us enjoy all the delights of the campus and its various buildings.

Our morning watch service was held on a hillside overlooking the river, under some of Charleston's grand old trees. We were told that on this hillside famous duels were fought in the long ago, and we decided that the trees possibly, caught some of the straying bayonet blows, judging by the number of wounds and scars that had been cemented on them...

A trip across Cooper river bridge took us to the beach where some of the women enjoyed the surf for a couple of hours. One evening there was a delightful boat ride. There was a full moon and its golden path across the water was very lovely. Had we not been such "fraidy cats" we might have turned real sentimental with such a romantic setting.

Early Saturday morning we lugged out our grips of bedraggled clothes and loaded up the bus for home...

We shopped in some of the towns we passed through, enjoying cold drinks and ice cream cones. Mrs. Patrick on hearing an approaching town announced, would put on her white gloves, arrange her hair and remove her new white purse from its box where she had kept it all through the trip for protection. She really set a good example before her fellow travelers.

The whole trip was a splendid piece of work from beginning to end and we are so very grateful to those who engineered it. We wish to express our thanks to Miss Layton, Miss Moore, Miss Richards and Miss Carson for standing by us and helping us to see and appreciate all the beautiful things that came to us while in Charleston.

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# Century Of News

By Sharon Avery

## 110 Years Ago

The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., September 1, 1875.

### In Memory of Our Mother

Died at her residence near Ridgeway, S.C., of typhoid fever on the 22nd August. Mrs. Dorcus J. Johnson, wife of Mr. Hampton Johnson, in the fifty-sixth year of her age.

"What is home without a mother, what are all the joys we greet, When her loving smile no longer, Greets the coming of our feet."

The Japanese are shipping bricks to California, and sell them cheaper than most made in that state, notwithstanding that there is an ad valorem duty of 90 per cent on them. The Japanese brick is 8½ inches long, 4½ inches wide, and 2½ inches thick.

**Deer Hunt** - A party of gentlemen from the vicinity of Winnsboro and Ridgeway on last Friday succeeded in killing a splendid buck, a turkey and a fat coon. Our young friend, Mr. O.M. Dantzler, brought down the buck.

**Cotton Picking** - Our farmers have gone to work picking cotton which is opening very rapidly and we long to see the day when they will be exhibiting samples and asking the different buyers if they "could better see that a cent".

## 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., August 26, 1885.

The watermelon supply seems to be on the decline. Our farmer friends should plant two patches of this delicious fruit, in order to have them all summer. The watermelon crop is the money crop of some sections of our State, and from the specimens which we have seen of those raised in our own county we feel justified in saying that the soil of our county is peculiarly adapted to this crop. In size and flavor Fairfield melons surpass all others.

### The Singing School at Salem

**Messrs. Editors:** On the 15th August the singing-school at Salem Church came to its close. It was organized on July 10 as follows:

Teacher - Miss Mattie C. Boyd.  
Assistant - Miss Mannie Boyd.  
Secretary and Treasurer - Mr. C.A. Broom.  
Chaplain - Mr. T.P. Burgess.  
Sexton - Mr. Deckie Broom.  
Water-carriers - Sam Smith and Silas Jones.

Our school was a success from the beginning. We met two days every week - a day being counted a lesson. We kept this up for twelve days - or six weeks. The school at Monticello was carried on during our rest days. But as each class had the privilege of attending the exercises of the other, several availed themselves of this opportunity to learn from so excellent a teacher as Miss Boyd.

Miss Boyd is in many respects a remarkable woman. For years she has been unable to walk, and spends her time in her "invalid chair", as some might call it. But she suffers no pain; is a well developed woman, and can endure teaching her schools and singing with them, *all day long*, for four days in every week. She is a sister of the Mrs. Morgan, of Edgefield, about whom there has recently been so much excitement as an instance of *faith-cure*. The friends of Miss Boyd trust that the kind Providence which has restored her sister, may also confer upon her so great a blessing. She bears with a sublime patience her affliction and but she feels so happy and con-

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By Sharon Avery



## 110 Years Ago

The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., August 25, 1875.

### Tournament of the Sabre Club

The Fairfield Sabre Club, Capt. Y.B. Robertson in command, held a tournament on Friday last at Major Woodward's mill. At ten o'clock the sabre club, 34 strong, formed in front of the Court House, and preceded by the Citizens' Cornet Band in a wagon marched out to the field. There was a general turnout of citizens both from town and the surrounding country. The livery stables were cleared of stock and the procession of outsiders reminded one of "Mr. Wheeler's critter company" at the close of the war, when mules usurped the place of horses. Besides the usual complement of carriages and buggies, a wagon furnished by H.T. Terrill Esq. carried out a full load of ladies and gentlemen.

After preliminary evolutions the tilting began at twelve o'clock. The objects were, in order, head, ring, head, ring, head, the heads requiring a different kind of cut each. As each sabreur rode gallantly through he had the sympathy of his respective coterie. The riding was creditable for the first attempt, and showed that there is plenty of stuff in the club with practices to make efficient swordsmen.

At the end of the third round the sabreurs formed and marched to the judges' stand, when the following prizes were awarded.

Wm. McCants, first prize, 26 points, a silver cup.

F.A. Neal, second prize, 23 points, bridle.

R.L. Hoke, third prize, 22 points, spurs.

Private Camak, for the smallest number of points, received a coffee pot, which he accepted very gracefully.

After the tournament was ended this party preceded to the grove near the mill house, where a bountiful repast was spread.

Three new stores are being erected in our town. One by Mr. J.O. Boag, one by Dr. D. Lauderdale and one by Mr. Saml. Cathcart. The building up of these vacant lots is an evidence of our prosperity. And we earnestly hope it will continue until not a vestige of the work of Sherman's bummers can be seen.

**Messrs. Editors:** Our rates of color are not only the groom and bride, but all

## 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., August 25, 1885.

### THE MOUNT ZION BUILDINGS

Pursuant to the notice published in The News and Herald, a number of the citizens of Winnsboro assembled in the Town Hall on Thursday morning, to take into consideration the present condition of the buildings of Mount Zion Institute.

Capt. H.A. Gaillard was called to the chair, and Mr. Jno. S. Reynolds was requested to act as secretary. The chairman stated the object of the meeting, and invited the suggestions of those present.

Mr. J.F. McMaster stated that about three years ago a subscription list was made up, and about three hundred dollars subscribed, though nothing has yet been done in the way of collection.

Mr. T.K. Elliott inquired whether any gentleman present had any plan to suggest. Mr. J.C. Caldwell stated that the condition of the buildings called for immediate action. Both repairs and additions, he thought, were needed, and these would involve an expenditure of between \$2,500 and \$3,000. He moved that a committee of five be appointed to confer with the Building Committee of Mount Zion Society, in order to ascertain the character and extent of the repairs required, and to devise measures to raise the necessary funds.

Mr. J.M. Beaty urged the importance of at once making the necessary improvements. He suggested that an addition be made to the present building by erecting a two-story frame house in front. He thought that what was to be done ought to be done immediately.

Mr. T.H. Ketchin expressed himself as opposed to further patching. He thought that with proper efforts a building costing five or six thousand dollars could be put up, and this ought to be done even if it involved the tearing down of the building now in use. He thought it best to put up something *good* at once.

Mr. G.H. McMaster regretted that the meeting was so small. He had expected a much larger attendance. He did not doubt the importance of the improvements under consideration. Good buildings will help to make a good

school, and a good school will help the whole community. He thought the best plan to be the building of a teacher's dwelling, and the proper repairing of the present school rooms.

After some further debate, the motion made by Mr. Caldwell was unanimously adopted. The chairman appointed as the committee Messrs. J.C. Caldwell, T.K. Elliott, T.H. Ketchin, J.M. Beaty and J.F. McMaster.

Mr. Reynolds moved that a committee of three be appointed to confer with the Town Council, with a view, if practicable, to get the aid of the municipality in making the needed improvements. After some discussion, the motion was adopted...

## 45 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., August 22, 1940.

### 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF AIMWELL CHURCH

Sunday was the occasion for the celebration of the 150 years of existence of Aimwell church on Cedar Creek. Many gathered at the church of their forefathers to enjoy the program.

An interesting feature of the program was a list of the pastors from 1790 to 1940 printed on the back of the leaflet. This will be a keepsake for the 193 persons in attendance. The oldest member present was Mrs. Cynthia Miller Coleman, who is in her 94th year. During the historical sketch, descendants of the following families were recognized: Roseboroughs, Robinsons, Craigs, Kennedys, Hoods, Walkers, Hunters, Campbells, Cleveland, Davis and Means. Children present representing the 6th generation from Mr. and Mrs. John Roseborough, founders of the church, included: Eloise Gettys of Lugoff, Jane Edmunds, Marion Edmunds and Rhoda Johnson of Columbia.

Dr. Barron of Columbia made a splendid talk on "Loyalty". He stated, "The greatest quality of a nation is justice, and the greatest quality of a man is loyalty." Dr. Oliver Johnson of Winnsboro led the devotional in the afternoon. "If our thoughts of the past are right and those of the future are right, then we have peace."

The "In Memoriam", written by Mrs. Herbert Ruff, who attended services at old Aimwell when a girl, was delivered by

George Kennedy, son of Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Kennedy. Mrs. Silas McMeekin, nee Mattie Tidwell, very charmingly gave the response to the welcome given by the pastor, Rev. B.H. Franklin. The history, as read by W.R. Goodson, proved very interesting. It is hoped to have a more complete record published in booklet form at some time.

The music was furnished by Mrs. Boyd Johnson of Columbia, a former member of the church, Mrs. George Crawford and George Moore of Winnsboro, the Junior choir under the direction of Miss Elma Hinnant, James Edmunds and Mrs. Silas McMeekin assisting to make up a quartet and Mrs. J.F. Dodson. The organist was Mrs. H. Weir. Mrs. Jack Threatt was accompanist. Kathlyn Dobson was violinist, assisting the Junior choir.

The church was made beautiful with flowers given by the children of the late C.D. Tidwell, in his memory and those given by the Kiwanis club.

A bountiful basket lunch was served on the church lawn. Every one enjoyed this social feature.

On display in the church were the following interesting articles: a footstool from old Aimwell church in the cemetery; a Bible given to the church by Miss Sallie Means; the silver baptismal bowl, pitcher, two goblets and two plates presented to the church by the ladies in 1859 and the present communion set in use given by Talmadge Bolick in honor of his mother, Mrs. Sallie Bolick. The pulpit furniture was given by the late Miss Leila Brown in memory of her brother, the late Mr. Reid Brown, who was a faithful member of the church for many years. His widow, Mrs. Reid Brown, now of Waco, Texas, was present for the occasion.

The present officers of the church are: Elders Mr. C.R. Spencer, Mr. A.B. Coleman and Mr. C.C. Reed; Deacons Mr. W.H. Kennedy, Mr. Edward Tidwell, Mr. W.R. Goodson and Mr. J.W. Starnes (elect). Mrs. H. Weir is president of the Ladies' auxiliary, Mrs. W.B. Kennedy is vice president. Mr. A.B. Coleman is supt. of the Sunday school with Mr. Edward Tidwell as secretary and treasurer.

As we face the future may we not forget the faith and zealous good works of our forefathers, who with God's guidance have given us such a rich heritage!

several contests in order to test the intelligence of those present. The Lions agree that the ladies won, because each Lion who missed a question paid the Tail Twister a dime, hence, the Tail Twister was on the right path during the question bee. The last of these contests was a spelling bee between the ladies and the Lions. The winners of this contest were Mrs. Arthur Martin and Dr. J.D. McMeekin, both misspelled the last

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## 110 Years Ago

The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., May 5, 1875.

The Rev. Mr. Jacobs will deliver a lecture on the Thornwell Orphanage in the Presbyterian Church, Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock. The public are invited to attend.

The sign lifters were again on the war path Tuesday night, and several signs were changed from one place to another. What fun they can see in giving their neighbors trouble is a mystery to us.

Too many festivities going on at present for locals. When the smoke of battle clears off, and our head becomes level, we will endeavor to calmly survey the field and report results.

The State Press association meets in Charleston on the sixth of May. We regret that this week brings court week will prevent our attendance.

The News and Courier was mistaken in booking us as certain to attend. Our acceptance was conditional. Had the meeting taken place at any other time we would most assuredly have attended.

**CALICO BALL** — The young gentlemen of our town intend giving a calico ball on Thursday night next at the Thespian Hall. Every lady attending is required to make a necktie from the same goods as that from which her dress is made, and deposit said necktie in a calico bag at the door. As soon as the first quadrille is called the young gentlemen each draws a necktie from the bag, and is entitled to the first dance with the lady whose dress and the tie corresponds. We understand that a fine band of music has been engaged, and our young people may look forward to a happy time.

Winnsboro was considerably livened during the past week. Capt. W.D. Aiken returned home with his bride, and was welcomed by two splendid entertainments, given by Mr. Jas. R. Aiken and Capt. Pierre Bacot.

## 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., April 22, 1885.

### LOCAL INTELLIGENCE

**A PICNIC** — We learn that the school children got up an impromptu picnic in the Presbyterian woods on last Saturday. They are said to have had a very delightful time. A representative of the News and Herald was present by invitation, and describes himself as barely over the effects of it yet.

**AN ACCIDENT** — Little Robt. Mackorell while riding in a wagon driven rather rapidly a day or two since was thrown out and received several painful injuries. We learn the services, both at the grave and in the church, were attended by a very large concourse of people.

### Local Briefs

The report is current that the Baptist Sunday school of Columbia will have a picnic at Rock City one day this week.

that the little fellow is convalescent and hope that he may be able in a short time to rejoin the Court House ring of which circle he is a highly esteemed member.

**DEATH** — Mrs. Massie Bolin, an aged lady, who lived near Buckhead, in this county, died of pneumonia on the 13th inst. She was at the time of her death about seventy-one years of age, and throughout her long life held the esteem of those among whom she lived. She leaves three children and a large number of grandchildren to mourn her departure.

**THE NEW COUNCIL** — The Town Council recently elected - Intendant T.K. Elliott, and Wardens James A. Brice, Jos. H. Cummings, Robert E. Ellison and James Q. Davis - were duly sworn into office on Monday last, each member taking the usual oath of office, the anti-dueling oath and the anti-gambling oath. At a subsequent meeting, Capt. I.N. Withers was re-elected Town Clerk and Treasurer for the ensuing municipal year.

patronized by the city of Winnsboro.

### DEATH OF MR. J.F. ARLEDGE

Mr. J.F. Arledge, a well-known citizen of the county, who resided in the Rocky Mount section, died somewhat suddenly on Monday. He came to town with Mrs. Arledge, to attend some business, and went to the county treasurer's office to pay his taxes. He complained of feeling badly, but recovered enough to go on the streets and make some purchases. He then went to the store of Mr. J.O. Boag to meet Mrs. Arledge, and while standing with her he fell suddenly to the floor. He was taken to a room and medical aid was obtained. About two o'clock he seemed better, but soon grew worse, and about four o'clock breathed his last. Mr. Arledge was a good citizen and his death will be generally regretted. He was about seventy years of age, and leaves his wife and one child - Mrs. Wylie J. Davis of Ridgeway.

## 45 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Wednesday, May 16, 1940.

### MOSSY DALE

I have received so many nice presents on my birthday that I have concluded to quit complaining and have another birthday.

As well I remember, my birthday, which was last Saturday, was spent more quietly and with less commotion than my first one.

Being born in the red hills of Lebanon surrounded by Stevensons Turners, Hardens and Brices, one lot was indeed cast on dangerous ground but my daddy, realizing what a pity it would be to raise such a pretty baby in such environment, moved with me when I was four years old to this garden of Eden - Mossy Dale - and here I "is" yet.

...My son sent me a gallon can the other day nicely packed. I could tell by shaking it that it contained liquid and he being a preacher I thought it was good old North Carolina whiskey, but, alas, it was apple cider, but so good it lasted for only about two days.

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## 110 Years Ago

The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., June 9, 1875.

**BEANS** — Mr. Jno. C. Squier will please accept our thanks for a mess of fine snap beans. Johnny knows how to raise vegetables as well as how to sell callico.

Be careful about fire. Had not the fire in Gooding shop been so quickly discovered, one half the town might have been destroyed.

A fresh supply of handmade boots and shoes, latest styles, just received at Landecker & Co.'s shoe house. These goods are warranted to give satisfaction.

Yesterday was sale day. But sale day in the summer when the grass is growing and the weather suspicious for working is of no service to him who searcheth for local items.

Mr. G.C. Bacot has shown us several cotta plants, a specimen of a crop on twenty-five acres of new ground. The cotton is six or seven inches high and already contains forms.

The handsome residence of Mr. T. Ross Robertson on Congress street is fast approaching completion. It will be when finished a great improvement to that portion of town.

Judge Neil is also remodeling his residence on Vanderhorst street which will be a great improvement in his portion.

## 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., June 3, 1885.

### LOCAL BRIEFS:

No cases in trial justice courts recently.

Cotton ought to be chopped out by the first of June.

A good rain fell in town on Wednesday.

The crop of strawberries in this county is said to be unusually large this year.

Mr. Walter Robertson of Columbia is in town showing the boys how to ride bicycles.

The book-sellers now have on sale the twenty-first volume of South Carolina Reports.

There was a heavy rain in the neighborhood of Simpson's Turnout on Thursday night.

Notwithstanding the busy season the sessions of the Court are attended by a number of visitors.

It is remarked that the cultivation of grasses in this county receives more and more attention from our farmers now every year.

In accordance with the agreement entered into by the merchants all the stores will close at 6 o'clock on and after Monday, June 1st.

We learn that the Rev. John T. Chalmers, of this place, goes soon to New York city, where he will prosecute for a time the study of the Greek language.

**AN ICE CREAM SALOON ON WHEELS** — Mr. F.W. Habenicht will run during the present season the portable ice cream saloon constructed by Mr. Mc. Smith. The machine is quite a convenient thing and as it seems to us ought to be patented. In the box which sits on a couple of wheels a freezer has been placed, this is operated by means of a band which runs over a whirl fixed on one of the wheels, and thus the supply may be adjusted to the demand at pleasure. With this

arrangement the cream may be kept perfectly congealed, too, an advantage that should not be overlooked. Mr. Mc. Smith says the whole thing is of his own invention.

## 45 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., May 30, 1946.

### A TRIBUTE TO A ONE-TIME NATIVE OF OLD WINNSBORO

Charles Edward Thomas, formerly of Ridgeway, now executive secretary of Sigma Nu fraternity with headquarters in Indianapolis, Ind., sends to The News and Herald an account of the recent death of Mrs. Maria Porcher Gaillard Brooks. The tribute is taken from the Sewanee Purple, University of the South publication.

Mrs. Brooks, who was born in Winnsboro, was the daughter of Franklin Gaillard, one-time editor of The News and Herald. She was the girl Mr. Palmer Davis, father of Mrs. W.H. Ruff, crowned queen in the famous tournament held in Winnsboro in 1868. (An account of this tournament, taken from an old scrapbook, will be published in a subsequent issue of The Herald.)

Mrs. Brooks' husband was the only son of Preston S. Brooks, the man who caned Sumner in the Senate. (Incidentally, the widow of Preston Brooks, Sr. once lived in Winnsboro, in the basement of the house now owned by Miss Mattie Sitgreaves.)

Mrs. Brooks, a daughter of Franklin Gaillard and Catherine Porcher, his wife, was born November 4, 1855, at Winnsboro. As a girl of sixteen she first visited Sewanee in 1871 as the guest of her aunt, Miss Maria Porcher, one of that company of noble women whose help the University of the South might never have been more than the dream of its founders. This group of gentlewomen of the Old South solved one of the greatest economic problems of the infant institution by providing facilities for the board and lodging of the students, and what was of far greater value, supplied a gentle and uplifting influence in the rude surrounding of that time.

Miss Porcher built and maintained as a "hall" for students old Magnolia and it was here that little Miss Gaillard spent her first summer at Sewanee, whither she had come for her vacation from the School for the Daughters of Confederate Soldiers, which she attended.

Miss Gaillard returned to Sewanee in 1873 to live with her aunt, but in the meantime her future husband had left the university and gone back to the family plantation near Ninety-Six, while Miss Gaillard became one of the first matriculants in "Fairmount", a school for girls near Montecagle, which was established by Wm. W.P. DuBose. This was on the site of the present school for the clergy.

As the years went on, and the university community gathered strength and number a new need developed in the isolated environment. This was for a general store from which necessities might be supplied and it was to fill this need that Mr. Brooks came back to Sewanee in 1877. Then it was that the romance reached its fulfillment, for in March, 1878, Mr. Brooks and Miss Gaillard were married in Old St. Augustine's chapel, had a grand reception at Magnolia....



## 120 Years Ago

**The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., January 2, 1867.**

### MISS PERONNEAU'S SCHOOL.

The first session (of five months) will commence February 1st, 1867.

### TERMS PER SESSION

1st Class in English, 22.00; Lower Classes, 18.00; French, 16.00; Music, 25.00.

Terms per half session or any less time, half the above.

Board, on reasonable terms can be procured in an eligible private family, in the immediate vicinity and in connection with the School.

## 100 Years Ago

**The News & Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., December 29, 1886.**

### Local Briefs.

Personal.-H. N. Obeas, Esq., has been appointed by the authorities of the C. C. & A. Railroad, to succeed the late Col. James H. Rion as division counsel for the road. We congratulate our friend upon his appointment.

Hymeneal.-On Wednesday, Mr. Elliott Ellerbe, of Camden, and Miss Lou Gaillard, of this place, were married in the presence of many friends and relatives. We, in unison with everybody, wish them a long life of happiness and prosperity. The young bride had many friends in Winnsboro who greatly regret that she has left us. The happy couple left and a nephew of one of the bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church South. He graduated at Wofford College in 1870, and during the following year was engaged in teaching, in Kentucky. Upon his return to this state, he joined Capt. John B. Patrick in the management of his High School at Greenville, continuing in that sphere of labor till moved to abandon it to enter the country.

## 100 Years Ago

**The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., January 20, 1886**

The "backbone" of the blizzard has broken at last, and with it the young oats crop has been destroyed. There is considerable difference of opinion among our farmers as to whether the pleasure, on Saturday last, of meeting Mr. W.F. Marshall, representing the house of E.W. Marshall & Co., wholesale dry goods merchants, of Charleston. This house is one of the oldest and staunchest in the South, and we doubt not it will be to the interest of our merchants to give it a share of their patronage. The editor of this paper recognizes in Mr. Marshall a former student of King's Mountain Military School, whose course at that institution was highly creditable, and who now has his best wishes for full success through life.

on the same day for their future home in Camden.

### ITEMS FROM ROCKY MOUNT.

Messrs. Editors: Mr. R. S. Nichols, of this section, killed a hog, sixteen months old, a few days ago that weighed five hundred pounds, and he "was not trying to raise a big hog either, as he fed him mainly on scraps from the kitchen.

Our farmers are through picking cotton, which has been a short crop. Scarcely any corn has been made—not enough in a great many cases to last until Christmas. This with poor oats and wheat crop will produce almost a famine I fear. This poverty is the result of floods last summer and freezes last winter.

## 45 Years Ago

**The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., December 24, 1941.**

### McMASTER HEADS STATE OILMEN

Winnsboro Native Has Been In the Petroleum Business For 21 Years.

(Reprinted from National Petroleum News, Chicago)

War finds an ex-Navy man at the head of South Carolina Oil Jobbers Assn. He is Spencer Rice McMaster, Winnsboro, S.C., who next year celebrates his 21st anniversary in the oil business.

Born in Winnsboro, Mr. McMaster began his business career as a Ford dealer. He became interested in the oil business in 1921 and organized the Winnsboro Petroleum Co. Later, he added the Fairfield Oil Co. to

**TWO BALES OF COTTON STOLEN**—Considerable excitement has been occasioned in the northwestern section of the county, by the larceny, on Christmas night, of two bales of cotton belonging to Mr. David Crosby. A searching party found on Sunday one bale of the missing cotton in a gully, near the Buckhead place, nearly six miles from the screw of Mr. Crosby. About all the eating-houses on the line of their road south of Richmond. Restaurants are at Weldon, Wilmington and Florence. A corps of French cooks have been engaged and have made arrangements to supply their tables with beef, mutton and poultry from New York, butter from Philadelphia, fish and oysters from the Chesapeake Bay, and vegetables and fruit from Florida. The Northern tourist on his third annual

boarding house dining-hall to do honor to the memory of Scotland's favorite "bard", Bobbie Burns - that being the anniversary of that "January wind that blew himsel' in on Robbin".

The company was not by any means confined to "brither" Scots - English, Irish, Dutch, Italian and American joined as heartily in the spirit and festivities of the occasion as if they had each been quite familiar with the scenes and circumstances that enabled Burns to get so near to the Scottish heart.

distribute another brand in the same territory.

Mr. McMaster was educated at Winnsboro High School and received his college degree from Randolph-Macon College in Virginia.

He is a member of the District 1 marketing subcommittee; director of the Citizens and Southern Bank of South Carolina; director of the Merchants and Planters Bank of Winnsboro; and vice-president of Organized Business, Inc., of South Carolina.

During the first war, Mr. McMaster served as an ensign in the Navy; was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity in college and is now a Mason. He claims to possess "all the bad habits of man," but his particular hobbies are raising a herd of Hereford cattle, golfing, fishing and quail shooting.

### BETHEL

Bethel home demonstration club mended a Christmas program at the Confederate Home in Columbia on Tuesday afternoon, December 16th. Besides the thirteen women who attended, Mr. G. A. Robinson, Supt. of the church school, and Rev. R. L. Hall, pastor, were there. A monologue "Christmas Emblems," was presented by Mrs. Pope Brooks, with Ellen Atkinson displaying the emblems and interspersing verses from the Bible stories by Luke and Matthew. Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hall. Christmas carols were sung with the inmates joining in lustily.

At the close of the program Santa Claus came in person and presented each one with fruit and gifts. This was a happy experience which was mutually enjoyed by all.

**REPRESENTING PARISHES AND MISSIONS.** A very successful meeting of the Nineteenth Annual Convention of the Upper South Carolina branch of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Protestant Episcopal Church was held at St. John's Episcopal Church in Winnsboro on the morning and afternoon of January 14th.

After registration of the members

**OF HEART ATTACK**

Gemmell H. Lokey, 55, former superintendent of Winnsboro Mills, died suddenly at his home in Murrell's Inlet early Tuesday morning following a heart attack. He had been in ill health for some time.

Mr. Lokey was born in Augusta, Ga., July 25, 1886, and he came to Winnsboro in 1916. He was connected with the Winnsboro Mills for more than 23 years, and for 17 years he acted as superintendent. He retired from the mill Jan. 1, 1940,

### PARR

True to tradition Mr. Schatz had a grand party for the employees and their wives or sweethearts of the Parr steam and hydro plants on December 19th. Space doesn't allow for full details of the party but here

are some of the highlights of it. A huge Christmas tree surrounded by nicely wrapped gifts adorned the stage of the community hall. American flags here and there throughout the hall among the Christmas decorations and Christmas carols mingled with patriotic songs gave a double meaning to this year's party. The Reverend E. Z. Pence, D. D., lead in prayer and delivered a short address. We couldn't get much of a speech out of Dr. Pinner but he did promise to continue to punch our aches and pains out of us. At this time Mr. Schatz presented Reverend E. Z. Pence and Dr. Pinner each with a gift from the employees of both plants. Names were then drawn and eighty-seven beautiful and valuable gifts were given to lucky guests, all these gifts were donated by merchants of Winnsboro and Columbia, to whom we are all grateful. Mr. John Bittle won the grand prize, a beautiful ladder back chair. The floor was then cleaned for square dancing, music being furnished by a string orchestra from the Dutch Fork section. It was a gay crowd, everybody seemed to be in a party mood, never a dull moment. So, in the wee hours of the morning, we reluctantly went home agreeing that Mr. Schatz had given us another grand party. Miss Billy Heron presided at the piano for the music for the singing.

pose, to the fact that numbers have left this winter for the great West. There seems to be a disposition on the part of many to hire for wages. This is not strange when we remember how many of those who have been cropping and renting have been sold entirely out of everything in the way of provisions.

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year program of the Episcopal church, "Forward in Service". Dr. Charles W. Sheerin, vice-president of the National Council, was unable to be present due to illness.

The Fairfield Inn, and many homes in Winnsboro were opened for the entertainment of the guests, and dinner and supper on Tuesday were served at the Boag Memorial by the Woman's Auxiliary, under the supervision of Mrs. R.H. McDonald.

Mrs. Robert Britt; two sons, J.D. Lokey and Gemmell H. Lokey, Jr., and one grandchild, all of Murrell's Inlet; one sister, Mrs. Viola Logan of Columbia, S.C.; two brothers, J.H. Lokey of Winder, Ga., and Charlie Lokey of Winnsboro; and his father, J.D. Lokey of Lancaster.

Funeral services, conducted by the Rev. M.C. Padgett, were held Wednesday morning from Stephen Greene Memorial church, Winnsboro Mills, and interment was in the family plot at Belton, the former home of Mr. Lokey.



## 110 Years Ago

The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., February 2, 1876

A large concourse of kindred and friends assembled at the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church on last Thursday night, the occasion being the marriage of Mr. James B. Mobley to Miss Mamie V. Elliott. The church was most tastefully decorated, and presented altogether a very pleasing appearance. The attendants were as follows: Mr. W.J. Elliott with Miss Ella Elliott; Mr. H.B. McMaster with Miss Annie McMaster; Mr. J.L. McCullough with Miss Katie Mobley; Mr. Thos. K. Elliott with Miss Floride Rion; Mr. J.N. Caldwell with Miss Agnes Milling; Mr. J. H. Craig with Miss Marion Mobley; Mr. T.H. DeGraffenreed with Miss Sallie Mobley; Mr. S.D. Mobley with Miss Alice Buchanan.

The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. J.M. Todd...

**FIRE:** The barn and stables of Mr. R.J. Gladney were fixed by the torch of the incendiary on Wednesday last about mid-day. Mr. Gladney's loss is several hundred dollars. No insurance.

**DEATH OF MRS. JOSEPH H. KENNEDY** — We are pained to announce the death of this estimable lady which occurred on Friday last, from consumption. Mrs. Kennedy was in the prime of life, and had been married six years...Her remains were interred at the Moore graveyard about two miles from Winnsboro. She left a husband and two children to mourn her loss...

## 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., January 27, 1886

Mrs. Jas. H. Rion has two house cats of common breed, which weigh respectively eleven and twelve pounds. The twelve-pounder is of a fine buff color and would pass for an Angora cat. This cat measures 35 inches from tip of nose to end of tail.

## 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., February 24, 1886.

### Items from White Oak

Capt. S.R. Johnston has been ap-

**WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY** — Tuesday, the twenty-second day of February, was duly celebrated in different parts of the state. In Charleston there was a parade of most of the rifle clubs, the

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They are both fine mousers. It should be borne in mind that the weight of an ordinary grey fox is nine pounds.

**THE TERRY SHOW CASE COMPANY** — We would call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of the Terry Show Case Company, of Nashville, Tenn. This company is engaged in the manufacture of show-cases, desks, wardrobes, etc., and they have recently added largely to their facilities. They are prepared to furnish a first-rate article at a fair, living price, and they invite correspondence. Here is an opportunity to encourage Southern industry and Southern enterprise.

### Items From Blythewood

Having seen nothing in your columns from this section lately, I will send a few items.

The health of the community generally is good. Mr. James Brown who has been confined to his room for several weeks with pneumonia, is able to go out.

The recent cold weather damaged the small grain considerably in this section.

An election was held at this place on the 12th inst. The following officers were elected: Mr. G.Hoffman, Intendant; Messrs. James C. Lyles and James Wootan, Wardens.

The Rev. N.K. Melton has moved to the residence near the college, occupied last by Mr. W.W. Enstlinger.

Married on last Thursday evening at the residence of Mr. Frank Lyles, Mr. Wm. Dye of Fort Mills, to Miss Ella Elkins. The Rev. N.K. Melton, officiating.

Also, the same evening, at the residence of the Rev. N.K. Melton, Mr. John McGrady to Miss Rawls, both of Richland county.

We understand Sandfield is to have another singing school, commencing the fourth Sunday - conducted by Mr. D.L. Bledsoe.

Messrs. C.G. Hoffman and J.L. Wardlaw will leave for Greenville on the 31st, to attend the United States Court.

This portion of Fairfield is well *dacrum jocosum*.

Philo.

### Items from Blair's

In consequence of the bitter cold weather during the month of

...and the repeated applause of the audience was evidence that the music was highly appreciated. Mr. Walter Emerson, with his cornet, came next, and his performance was equal to the statements made of him as a performer by the press. The songs of Miss Medora Henson Emerson were of an operatic kind, but they showed a cultured voice, and while it was not probably appreciated as it would have been if of a plainer kind, still her part was well formed themselves into a society and went to work - not with a great flourish as men would have done - but very quietly, and to prove that they have not looked back after putting their hands to the plow, they have raised about \$750, and given the contract to Mr. Moffatt of Chester, who will commence work at an early day. The fence will not only

supplied with schools. Mrs. Clara Jones at Doko; Mrs. Macon, at the college; Mrs. Lou Williamson, near Dr. Campbells and J.W. Jones, at Sandfield. All the schools are well attended. There is no reason that any should remain at home for want of a school near enough for them to attend. All the dissatisfaction is there are too many schools.

Mr. G.Y. Langford has purchased the saw mill formerly owned by Mr. DuBose, and intends going into the lumber business.

At present the merchants are not pressed with business - notwithstanding the scarcity of money.

Mr. W.J. Johnson is getting in a large supply of corn and flour.

We suppose the quiet little town of Blythewood, has the youngest Mayor in the State. He is twenty-two years of age.

## 45 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., January 9, 1941

### CHARLES FORD DIES AT HOME

Charles Strother Ford, 84, prominent citizen of Fairfield county, died at his home in the Mitford section Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, after an illness of one year.

He was born in Chester county August 18, 1856, the only child of the late Strother Ford and Mrs. Jane McWaters Ford. When he was quite young, his parents moved to the Mitford section of Fairfield county. He was educated in the county schools and at Kings Mountain Military academy at Yorkville. He married Miss Florence Cornelia Culp, second daughter of Colonel John Ripley Culp and Mrs. Fannie Ragsdale Culp of Chester. For many years he made his home at Chester where he was prominently engaged in the insurance and real estate business. He took a wide interest in all movements looking toward the advancement of his section.

Many years ago he returned to Fairfield, where, as in Chester, he evening about 8 o'clock.

Mr. Crawford, the son of the late D.A. and Mrs. Sue Mobley Crawford, was born in Winnsboro and spent almost his entire life in this community. For a number of years he was in the livestock business and in January, 1926, he was elected to the

...will be given here sometime in March.

D. Woodward, S.C., February 23, 1886.

## 45 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., February 27, 1941.

### W.B. McDOWELL LOSES MOTHER

Mrs. Susie Frances McDowell, 77, widow of J.J. McDowell, died at her home in Greenwood Sunday night after a long illness. Funeral services conducted by the Rev. Henry Bell White were held Tuesday at Mountain Creek Baptist church.

Mrs. McDowell was a native of the Meeting Street section of Edgefield

took a keen interest in the public affairs of his county. He served for eight years in the lower house of the General Assembly of South Carolina, and in that capacity he did much for Fairfield. He was widely known in legislative circles and he introduced many bills aimed at the improvement of the county which he represented.

He was a member of the Mount Zion Baptist Church...Mr. Ford is survived by one son, Strother Ford of the Mitford section, and three daughters, Mrs. R.B. McDonald, Great Falls, Mrs. R.B. McDonald, Blackstock, Mrs. George D. Heath, Charlottesville, Va....

### CELEBRATION PLANNED FOR 21 FAIRFIELD MEN

Twenty-one Fairfield county selectees and volunteers will leave on a special bus Friday morning at 11:50 o'clock for induction at Fort Jackson. A special send-off celebration has been planned for the occasion. Brief speeches will be made by Mayor W.R. Elliott and the Rev. H.L. Kingman and the Mt. Zion school band will play appropriate selections.

Citizens of Winnsboro are urged to gather at the bus terminal (Postal Service Station) not later than 11:30 Friday morning, January 10th.

The selectees and volunteers (volunteers marked with "V") who leave for Fort Jackson Friday are Clyde Richardson (V), Carl William Goff (V), Corton Levern Goff (V), James McGregor Macfie (V), James Avery Evans (V), Joel Allison Waldrop (V), Hollie Franklin Crosland (V), James Covin (V), Samuel Claud Hickerson (V), John Gary Boone (V), Leroy Queen (V), Archie Elesy Whitmore (V), Virgil Haley (V), Thomas Whatley Yarborough, George William Turkett, Woodrow Wilson Timms, Hubert Sharpe, Robert Plexico McMeekin, George Harris, Russell Shaw Park and Wesley Foxworth Stevenson. Alternates are Charles Joseph Fritz, Nesbitt Eugene Good and James Henry Yarborough.

Y.M.C.A. and president of the Block E Club; Samuel is president of the student body and student council. Both have been prominent in sports, especially football and baseball.

The last child, Maymie Weir Stevenson, is a sophomore at the Seceder institution.



## 110 Years Ago

The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., April 5, 1876.

Everything seems to indicate that the Lady Washington Tea Party will be a grand success.

Last Sunday was Easter Day, and the Episcopal church was very tastefully decorated with evergreens and flowers.

The following gentlemen have been chosen delegates to represent township No. 12 in the county convention which convenes at this place next Saturday: R.E. Ellison, Sr., Patrick Hastings, John A. Weldon, Jas. W. Stewart, W.K. Turner, Frank Andrews, James Harden, J.A. Robertson, Iraneus Pope, John Vinson.

**THE FIREMEN'S ENTERTAINMENT** — As the time for this pleasant occasion is rapidly approaching, we beg to recall it to the attention of the community. The ladies, with characteristic devotion, have pushed forward the preparation very actively, and, having been liberally supported, look forward to a great success. We trust that our friends from our sister cities, Ridgeway and Blackstock, and from all parts of the county will be present with us. To the ladies especially, of both places, we would say come, bringing us *pleasure* by their presence; and *profit* through their numerous following of beaux.

**PETIT JURORS** — The following is a list of the petit jurors drawn for the May term of Court for Fairfield:

Whites - R.C. Clowney, P.M. Spence, J.O. Boag, T.P. Mitchell, Wm. Aiken, Iraneus Pope, W.T. Pettigrew, Jas. Beaty, J.W. Chandler, W.A. McDowell, Andrew Rimer, C.E. Leitner, James W. Bolick, E.P. Mobley, H.L. Elliott, J. Henry Brice, E.S. Chandler, James A. Milling, W.J. Herron, W. J. Crowder, J.C. Mackorell, A.J. McGill.

Colored - Chas. Henderson, Cain Thompson, W.J. McDowell, Fred Steele, Bristow Kinsler, Jacob Barber, Simon Davis, Henry Harris, Jim

whom hang charts containing the multiplication table - a great convenience to the juvenile mathematicians. All the furniture, maps, charts, etc., were furnished by Messrs. J.W. Schermerhorn & Co., of New York. In one corner of the room is an arrangement for firewood, and directly opposite one for water. The room is heated by a large stove near the centre, and the desks are so arranged as to give all the occupants fensive to those dining with them that line.

The *Sunday Sun* is a new candidate for popular favor, issued weekly at Columbia. In politics the position of the paper seems as yet undefined. The reading matter is well selected, and the editorial department well managed.

The *Ninety-Six Herald* has resumed publication, and bids fair to continue its visits without interruption. We wish it success.

**EASTER ELECTION** — The customary Easter election for wardens and vestrymen of the parish consisting of St. John's Church, Winnsboro, and St. Stephen's Church May party. Miss Cora Iroy, whose

Egleston, Logan Brown, Frank Manigault, Wylie Herbert, Milton Cook, Louis Barkley.

**THE COUNTY CONVENTION** — We trust that every township will send a full delegation to the democratic county convention which is to meet at Winnsboro on Saturday, the 22nd inst. We need not impress upon the people the importance of this gathering. It must be apparent to all. The number of delegates allowed to each township is ten, thus forming a convention of one hundred and thirty members. Every township should send its full complement of delegates. The fuller the convention, the more representative will it be of the interests of the people, and the better the opportunity for a full and free interchange of opinions. A convention of the people, properly constituted, will be a most excellent starting for that absolutely perfect organization which must be made long before the November election. We have always believed the people of Fairfield would do their full part at the polls; but something more is now needed - we must have a perfect union of the honest people long before the voting time comes. We trust that the organization of the democracy of Fairfield which has been begun, will soon be carried to perfection.

## 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., April 28, 1886.

**ON WITH THE WORK** — A well has been commenced near the building in pursuance of the decision of the committee appointed by the Mount Zion Society, that it would be preferable to a cistern. It will be completed as early as possible in order to furnish water in preparing the mortar for the new building.

**ICE** — This well known sign has recently been placed in position by the proprietor of the Winnsboro Ice House, informing the public where to

days of peace he was the friend and well-wisher of all, ever ready, with wise counsels and a generosity beyond his means, to aid every worthy enterprise. Zealous and loyal in his friendships, he was admired and respected by all; but he was rewarded with a peculiar attachment by those who knew him best. His father, Mr. Jos. Evans, was a brother of the Hon. David Evans who once represented the State in Congress.

Light Infantry as usual headed the procession and were followed by the survivors of the war, the speakers in carriages and a host of other sympathising friends.

Arriving at the stand, which had been tastefully decorated, Mr. J.E. McDonald opened the exercises by announcing that the Rev. John Glass would lead in the opening prayer, after which, in his usual happy style, he introduced Col. H.C. Davis, the orator of the occasion, who delivered an address, commenting particularly upon the services of the Confederate dead and the duty which the living owe them. Their names are crowned with glory and time has raised above

by the resignation of the Rev. H.B.

keep cool during the summer. He has a good supply, gathered from our own county during the winter, and will be glad to furnish it in any quantities to our citizens at reasonable prices.

**DEATH** — We were sorry to learn of the death of Ralph Madden, infant of Mr. and Mrs. John Vinson, which occurred on Monday last. He had not been well for several months, and when pneumonia set in a little more than two weeks ago, it was found that he would not be able to stand the disease. The remains were interred at White Oak on Tuesday. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of a host of friends in their loss.

## Local Briefs

Don't forget to attend the railroad meeting on Monday next.

This weather is inclined to make the average man seek the shade.

Job work done in the latest and neatest style at the office of THE NEWS AND HERALD.

The President has appointed Mr. Thos. N. Youngblood postmaster at Chester, vice S.B. Lumpkin.

Friday, the 23rd was Good Friday. Services were held on that day at the Episcopal church.

Winnsboro will send down several representatives to the floral fair this week.

The annual picnic at the Catawba falls will take place as usual this year on 1st May.

Some of our farmers are already beginning to complain of the dry weather. We suppose the small grain is needing a little rain at present.

We learn that the mumps and measles have been going the rounds in town, but owing to the pleasant weather no serious cases have been reported.

## 45 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., April 17, 1941.

## U.D.C. HONORS WADE HAMPTON

son of James McKinney Elliott, and John McMaster, son of Henry Laurens Elliott. Both were lads in their teens, and the last named is said to have been the first soldier from Fairfield killed, certainly his body was the first one brought back from Virginia to Winnsboro.

He had five sons and a daughter, James McKinney, John, William, Henry Laurens, and David, and Harriett, who married a Mr. Marion

S.C., April 24, 1941.

## American Legion Names Officers

At the big spring rally held at Parr's Friday night the following Legionnaires were elected and chosen from the floor to direct the activities of Post 16 for the ensuing year:

Commander, F.E. Hughes; vice commanders, B.J. Corbett, M.A. Kirkland, W.B. McDowell and Howard Snelling; adjutant, Wardlaw McCants; finance officer, G.R. Lauderdale; service officer, Dr. J.L. Bryson...

on Saturday night. His death was

The 28th of March being the birthday anniversary of General Wade Hampton, the John Bratton chapter. United Daughters of the Confederacy held appropriate exercises last Thursday in the Mt. Zion school auditorium.

Mrs. C.E. Strange, historian, was in charge of the program, which consisted of songs, speeches and poems. Mrs. Nell Sprott played a march as the students and visitors filled the auditorium.

Mrs. Strange stated the object of the meeting and introduced Mrs. J.E. Bruce who gave a Bible reading and offered a prayer. Hymn, "Faith of Our Fathers", was sung. Program by seventh grade...

## G. G. MAYES IS MADE MODERATOR

Dr. George G. Mayes, celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination to the ministry, was elected moderator of Congaree Presbytery; by acclamation, in its eighty-fourth stated meeting here Tuesday at Sion Presbyterian Church. The session was replete with debate, the highlight of the day coming when Dr. Mayes and Elder Fitz Hugh McMaster clashed on a point of presbyterial authority.

The moderatorial sermon was preached by the retiring moderator, Dr. Hugh R. Murchison, of Columbia, on "The Power of Immortality". A petition presented by a delegation from Saluda for a commission to organize the Presbyterian church there was granted, and the following commission appointed for the purpose: Dr. Mayes, chairman; Rev. Dr. F.R. Riddle, Revs. John Blackburn and Harry L. Price, with Dr. Murchison as alternate minister and the following elders: F.H. McMaster and C.H. Epting, with McQueen Quattlebaum as alternate. The commission is to act in the near future...

county, retiring from this and transferring his interest to another brother-in-law, George H. McMaster, he became one of the largest planters in the county, controlling at one time about 10,000 acres of productive cotton land.

His second set of children were Thomas Ketchin, Ella (Gooding), Lila (McDonald), Marion (Caldwell), Lula (McAlpin), Helen, William R., and Christina ("Tiny" Johnson)...

Waters was the chaperone. They visited the legislature, where Senator Lyles was especially cordial; Fort Jackson, where they had a guide to show them around, and other points of interest.

The Junior-Senior is the one event of the week. Miss Ruth Benn, of the faculty, has charge of the affair. Mrs. B.H. Franklin, Mrs. Hartwell Traylor, Mrs. Bob Hartman and the other tenth grade mothers have charge of the banquet for the members of both grades, the faculty and the trustees. Following there will be a dance with music furnished by an orchestra.

entire community in their affliction.













## 100 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Wednesday, September 15, 1886.

### THE NEW MOUNT ZION

A great occasion in the history of Winnsboro

Thursday was the day appointed for the exercises incident to the completion, and the dedication to educational purposes, of the new building erected by the municipality of Winnsboro, and donated to the Mount Zion Society. Quite a large audience gathered in the main room of the College - the ladies predominating.

The meeting was called to order by Col. H.A. Gaillard, the president of the Society, who announced that the exercises would be opened with prayer by the Rev. J.T. Chalmers. After the prayer, the choir organized for the occasion sang, very effectively, the anthem commencing - "Praise the Lord in His holiness".

The president now introduced Col. Jas. H. Rion, who spoke in substance as follows:

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Mount Zion Society: On the part of the Building Committee of the Society, I have a pleasing duty to perform - the duty of presenting this new building to the Society. More than a century ago there was erected here an humble school-house. War came on and the building became afterwards the barracks of the British soldier. Cornwallis on this spot pitched his marquee, surmounted with a plume. There was a general sigh of relief when it was over. People regained their accustomed equanimity when they saw no loss of life or serious damage to property. In less than ten minutes a rumbling sound was heard again and immediately after the same sensations were experienced, but in a much less degree. Then came a lull. Afterwards another shock and another until by 11 o'clock twelve distinct and unmistakable shocks were experienced. It was a time of terrible suspense. No one knew but that the next one would destroy our town. People generally left their houses anticipating more serious results from each successive shock. From 11 to 12 o'clock everything was quiet, and the people believing the worst had come retired for the night. Just as the town clock struck the hour of one, another shock came, but with little force. About 1 o'clock another shock struck the town, issued by the Governor for this extra session.

I wish the readers of the News could hear the delectable music now "at the time of this writing" that is reverberating throughout the walls of the old College buildings. I am absorbed by it and can only listen.

You know my passion for music, and can excuse me from inflicting any more. There were other speeches made also by the Rev. Geo. Boggs, Rev. J. T. A. Cauthern, and Col. Finley. We regret that we have neither time nor space to give even a synopsis of their remarks, suffice it to say they were very appropriate and well received, after the speaking was concluded and the benediction over, dinner was served. I expressed an opinion that Fairfield

what was supposed to be the banner of a conquering nation. The war passed away, and peace was declared. Six years after this the corner-stone of another building was laid - the foundation of the Mount

Zion Collegiate Institute. On the spot where had stood the marquee of the invading General, was erected a simple school-house. Here the humble school-master was safe in the duties of his calling, the appliances of education taking the place of the implements of war - thus illustrating the truth of the words which Bulwer puts in the mouth of Richelieu: "The pen is mightier than the sword". Then, to meet the needs of a large patronage, a three-story brick building was put up. Afterwards two three-story wings were erected. In 1867 our hearts were saddened by seeing this fine building destroyed by fire. But we did not despair. Out of the scanty means of the Society, supplemented by private subscriptions, we erected a new school-house, and the institution, under the management of Professor Davis, flourished in a high degree. But there was soon felt the need of better accommodations. The citizens of Winnsboro, prompted by an enlightened public spirit and large liberality, came forward with substantial aid. As a result, we now have a building worthy of the town and of the Society. The Building Committee to-day turns over to the Society this splendid building, complete in every respect, commodious, well-ventilated, and furnished throughout with all appliances somewhat unfortunate. At the first shock, bottles began to rattle and the clerks fled in fear, leaving about twenty-five bottles of the finest liquors flowing upon the floor. Mr. Habernicht's loss is considerable.

Plastering fell from many houses. Mrs. G. W. Crawford, having retired, on first perceiving the sensation arose just in time to avoid a large piece of plaster falling from the ceiling. Many private residences were stripped of plastering...

The prisoners in jail implored the Sheriff to let them out for fear the house would fall upon them...

Everybody laughs now and has a little joke, but nobody but an ignorant person could look upon the thing without some misgivings.

### The Earthquake at Horeb.

Messrs. Editors: A terrific ear-

-Messrs. J. N. Center, L. Samuels, and O. D. Williford returned from the Northern markets a few days ago, and are now receiving their winter stocks of goods.

**Death.** We regret to learn of the death of Mr. Jonathan A. Simpson, which occurred at his home in Winnsboro. Mr. Simpson was a cultivated, interesting congregations in the county, not excepting the town. Out of the male members that were then active in the church, I can now recall but six who were present during our recent meeting, viz: Capt. Thos. M. Lyles, Messrs. David James, Bunyan Counts, John Morris and my old friend W. Ederington and Dr. ... with corn.

needed for the proper conduct of the Institute. I need not say that the Committee are proud to perform this duty. We turn over this building, in full confidence in the future of our Society and of the Institution. We hope that your success in the cause of education may be even greater in the future than it has been in the past...(applause).

## 45 Years Ago

The News & Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., Thursday, Sept. 11, 1941.

### MRS. A.R. SMARR ENTERTAINS FOR OUT-OF-TOWN VISITOR

On Thursday afternoon Mrs. A.R. Smarr entertained three tables at bridge complimenting Mrs. Boyce Carson of Greenville, house guest of Mrs. J.D. Rutledge.

Roses, marigolds and zinnias were attractively arranged in the living room and sun parlor, where four interesting progressions of contract were played.

When scores were counted the top score prize went to Mrs. J.D. Rutledge, the floating prize was held by Mrs. H.G. Phillips, and Mrs. Harris McDonald received low score prize.

A gift was presented to the honor guest.

During a social hour the hostess assisted by Mrs. O.S. Miller served a frozen salad and punch.

### REN FREW ENTERTAINS FOR SUB-DEBS

The News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., September 4, 1941.

### NEWS-EVENTS IN RIDGEWAY

School began on Monday morning at 8:40 (DST). There were 53 enrolled in high school and 190 in the grammar grades. Parents and friends gathered in the auditorium at the chapel hour for the opening exercises. Mrs. Jack Boyd led in "The Salute to the Flag." Everyone sang "God Bless America." Mr. A. R. Nicholson made a talk, expressing welcome. The Rev. Leslie Edwards led the devotional, stressing the fact that education was "learning to live with others and learning to live with God." Mr. James Edmunds, as chairman of the board of trustees, made a talk impressing the children with the idea that they should be diligent in their studies, and in their communion, as its practice alone would certainly fail.

Mr. Tarlton Clarke and Miss Maggie Robinson were married at the residence of the bride's mother by this scribe on the night of the 8th of this month. A few friends were present and it was an exceedingly enjoyable occasion. Rumor has it that I will get a good run of this work this fall and winter. If they all treat me like Mr. Clark it will help out greatly in these hard times.

I would make my letter longer, but my time is out, as I now go out to the when sentiment and fact go together,

On Friday evening at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Frew, Miss Ren Frew gave a party to a number of junior sub-debs. With the weiners, drinks and cookies were also served.

After supper the young folks played games and had contests. About ten couples were present.

### W.J. JENKINS DIES AT HOME

William James Jenkins, 81, prominent Fairfield county farmer, died Sunday at his home in the Halsellville section of Fairfield county.

Funeral services were conducted at 5 p.m. Monday from Beaver Creek Baptist Church in northern Fairfield county with the pastor, the Rev. Mr. Moseley, assisted by the Rev. Pinkney L. Bouknight, officiating. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Jenkins was twice married, first to Miss Rebecca Crowder of Fairfield county. From this union three children survive, Mrs. John M. Colvin, Sr., and Mrs. Lowry Erwin Weir, both of Chester, and R.D. Jenkins of Shelton; five grandchildren and one great-granddaughter. Some years following the death of the first Mrs. Jenkins, he married Mrs. Ella Weir Dye, who survives him. He was the last surviving member of the prominent Jenkins family.

He was a charter member of the Antioch Methodist church in Fairfield county.

At the funeral of a member of his church, Dr. Camak delivered a sermon that all present seemed to consider a first class one, and certainly, judging by the large number of people who stopped to commend him, his exposition could have been nothing short of excellent. It made one proud to be from Fairfield, this seeing, first hand, of the good job a native son is doing. (One, incidentally, is not always proud of Fairfield, which is (was?) the most eroded county in the U.S., which has a high percentage of illiterates, and which has a none too savory reputation as the seat of good government).

But we have noticed before, that a seemingly high percentage of natives who migrate elsewhere turn in performances in various lines of which the home folks can justly be proud. Such an one is Dr. Camak, and "Mossy Dale," as well as Fairfield are happy to call him their own. Wallace, James Michael Brice, E.C. Jeter, J.W.A. Sanders, S.W. Bookhardt, J.L. Thompson, J.C.S. Brice, W.F. Mitchell, J.E. Douglas, Sr., J.E. Douglas, Jr., John W. Douglas, Eugene H. Brice, L.S. Douglas, Thomas Jackson Douglas, xDr. Robert C. Buchanan, xDr. J.E. Buchanan, Sr., xDr. J.C. Buchanan, Jr., C.S. McCants, James L. Bryson, J.H. Boulware, James T. Hardy, J.R. Coleman, William Meador, Charles Rabb, J.R. Team, D.M. Provence, xWilliam Bratton, Henry Gibson, C.S. Pixley, David L. Bryson, Dr. --- Linder, Dr. David Coleman, Sam F. Mobley, Dr. --- Thorne, Dr. --- Hoover, Dr. Allen, Dr. --- Dobson.

conclusive evidence is found.





# Justice - Twenty Years Later

By Sharon G. Avery

Two local histories contain references to a murder which took place in the western part of the county in the early 1800s, in which Captain Andrew Feaster was gunned down by a neighbor, Shadrack Jacobs. According to William Ederington, in his *History of Fairfield County*, Capt. Feaster was killed while riding with his brother-in-law, Constable Ezekiel Wooley, whose job it was to arrest Jacobs. Feaster and Constable Wooley had switched horses shortly before the shooting. It was near dusk, and Jacobs killed Feaster by mistake, having intended the bullet for Constable Wooley.

The story of the murder is further elaborated by James P. Coleman, in his family history. Coleman states that Constable Wooley and Feaster were riding together after dark in a posse to apprehend Jacobs, and Feaster was riding Wooley's white horse. Earlier, Jacobs had reportedly sworn to kill Wooley, and according to Coleman, Jacobs deeply regretted having shot Feaster, having meant to kill the constable. Both Ederington's and Coleman's accounts say Jacobs escaped to the west and was captured years later.

What really happened on the evening of March 5, 1808, when Captain Feaster was murdered will never be fully known, but what can be unraveled from existing local government records and from Columbia newspapers is a story fraught with human tragedy.

It appears that Jacobs was the same Shadrack Jacobs, from the area of the Broad River, who fought with patriots during the American Revolution. He received state land grants after the war, owning property both near Monticello on Terrible Creek and in the area of Feasterville. He is listed in the 1792 Fairfield District Tax Returns and in the minutes of the County and Intermediate Court as a petit juror in the 1790's. Land transactions indicate Jacobs was married to a Keziah Jacobs by 1794. Enumerated in the 1800 Federal Census as between the ages of 26 and 45, he must have been at least 35 in 1800 to have served as a Revolutionary War soldier. Young children between the ages 10 and 16 are also listed in the Jacobs household. Not a rich man in 1808, Jacobs nevertheless had too much to lose. He owned property and was a family man.

In February 1808, Jacobs was, however, also a wanted man. The previous fall he had been tried for trespass and assault in Newberry District; when he failed to appear in court a bench warrant was issued by the Newberry District Court of General Sessions to Sheriff James Muse of Fairfield District to take Jacobs into custody.

Constable Wooley was acting on Sheriff Muse's warrant to arrest Jacobs. A violent confrontation must have been anticipated by the authorities as a group of officers were organized to apprehend Jacobs.

Testimony taken in 1809 indicates that Jacobs was very much aware of his impending arrest and was armed with two guns on the day of the shooting. Land records reveal that for a number of years Wooley and Jacobs owned adjoining property and were well acquainted. They

definitely were not strangers; perhaps the bad blood between the two began as neighbors.

Several persons testified they were at the Jacobs home on the day of the murder, including Ephraim and Patty Morgan, Randol Woodward, James Fear, and James and Thomas Nelson. About dusk, Randol Woodward, who had come to borrow an awl, returned home followed shortly thereafter by Jacobs and later Mrs. Keziah Jacobs. When the law officers reached the Jacobs home they were met according to Fear, by Mrs. Patty Morgan, who told them Jacobs had "gone over the river". Fear testified that of the group he recognized only Colonel Arromanos Liles. Three men entered the house to search for Jacobs and then the company rode off in the direction of Randol Woodward's house.

It was now late in the evening, and Shadrack and Keziah Jacobs were walking home from the Woodward's, through the woods, when they met the posse. Mrs. Jacobs later testified that her husband exclaimed "they are now coming" and immediately discharged a gun which killed Capt. Feaster. James Fear also testified that he encountered Jacobs running from the scene of the crime and heard Jacobs saying "he had killed somebody - one of the company..." Whether Jacobs had taken advantage of the opportunity to fire his rifle at the horsebacked rider he thought to be his adversary, Ezekiel Wooley, and killed Feaster by mistake is unclear, but Jacobs was clearly resisting arrest.

Andrew Feaster, Jr., was a highly respected citizen and a captain in the South Carolina Militia. A planter and cabinet maker by trade, young Feaster's survivors included his aging parents, Andrew, Sr., and Margaret Feaster, several brothers and sisters, and many nieces and nephews.

Although Jacobs escaped capture on the night of the murder, he was taken into custody. He appears to have been confined to the jail in Winnsboro in January 1809, when he sold 68 acres of land to Thomas Means. Sheriff Muse and Attorney Caleb Clarke witnessed the sale.

The case of the State vs. Shadrack Jacobs for murder was docketed for trial in the Spring Term of 1809. He was indicted for murder by the Grand Jury on April 18, 1809. The members of the grand jury were John Boyd, foreman; Hugh Perry, Henry Lietz, Samuel Young, James Gamble, Edward Meadows, Bennett Ashford, Moses Hollis, Robert Boyd, James Cammack, John Robertson, William Watt, Josiah Knighton, Henry Funderburg, Edward McGraw, Jacob Dansby, and James McGill.

Jacobs was brought before the bar and arraigned. He pleaded not guilty. Three days later jury selection began for the trial, but here the wheels of justice ground to a halt. After accepting nine jurors - Samuel Proctor, William Kirkland, Minor Scogler, James Hodge, Jacob Free, William McCrorey, Robert Bradford and Dixey Ward - the accused challenged all of the remaining jurors. On motion of the solicitor, the sworn jurors were discharged and the prisoner removed to the jail, there to remain until the next term of court.

Before the fall term of 1809, Jacobs escaped, either from the jail or he was

released on bond and fled the state. Mrs. Keziah Jacobs was summoned to appear in the fall to answer to an indictment to be entered against her, but the solicitor failed to press charges.

Jacobs spent the next twenty years running as a fugitive from justice, separated from his native state and most probably from his family. Ederington claims Jacobs was captured in the wilds of Georgia and Coleman maintains he was recognized and arrested in Texas. He was back in captivity in February of 1829...20 years later.

Capt. Feaster's parents had died in the early 1820s without seeing their son's murderer brought to trial.

By 1829, Jacobs must have been an old man. Some of the witnesses called in 1809 were no longer living, others may have moved west. Among the remaining witnesses called in 1829 were Arromanos Lyles, Jr., Henry J. Macon, Thomas Nelson, Abner Fant, Thomas Parrott, and Randol and Livina Woodward. The trial was held in April 1829, Jacobs was found guilty, but the jury unanimously recommended mercy for the "unfortunate criminal".

The verdict was immediately appealed to the Court of Appeals, asking for a new trial. Unlike today, the appeals process was very short and quick. In May of 1809, Judge Colcock of the Court of Appeals in Columbia heard the motion for a new trial and refused it.

The Columbia Telescope of May 15, 1829, reported: "Accordingly, the prisoner was arraigned before the court, the indictment and verdict of the jury read and being asked if he had anything to say, why sentence should not be pronounced...(Jacobs said) Nothing but regret, that such a duty befalls the court".

His Honor Judge Colcock next addressed the defendant recalling that twenty years had elapsed since the fatal deed and "from my knowledge of the human character, I cannot doubt, that you have suffered more in that period than yet remains to be endured while you are here...The stings of a guilty and reproving conscience, added to the const-

ant apprehension of detection and punishment must have rendered your existence miserable indeed. "But the end is now come."

"When I behold you bending under the weight of years and guilt, I cannot discharge the duties of a judge without mingling the sympathies of the man, and without recommending to you to apply to that all sufficient fountain of mercy, for the assistance which you no longer expect from things of time...I earnestly recommend to you to employ your few remaining days in supplicating the mercy of your offended God."

Judge Colcock noted that Jacobs' offense was the "highest in catalog of crimes, and one, which, by the common consent of mankind, is punished by death". He then pronounced the sentence which called for Jacobs to be returned to the jail in Winnsboro and on the 19th of June, 1829, "between the hours of ten o'clock in the morning and five o'clock in the afternoon, be hanged until his body be dead".

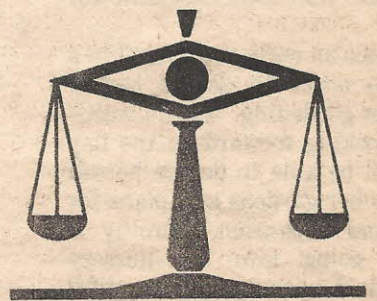
The Columbia newspaper story ended with a sympathetic statement of the fortitude the prisoner manifested on the solemn occasion.

Although the jury had recommended mercy, it is obvious the trial opened old wounds. There were those who felt that it was long past time for Jacobs to pay for his crime. What difference did it make if Jacobs had intended the rifle ball for another? A petition signed by Fairfield residents opposing mercy was forwarded to the governor. The sentence was not commuted.

William Ederington ends his account of the affair with an English translation of an old German poem:

Though the mills of God grind slowly,  
Yet they grind exceedingly small;  
And patiently he stands waiting,  
Till with exactness grinds he all.

The long saga finally came to an end when the sentence was carried out in Winnsboro by Sheriff William Moore at 3:30 p.m., June 19, 1829.





# Museum Celebrates 10 Years of Service

This month, the Fairfield County Museum celebrates ten years of regular operation in the Cathcart-Ketchin building. The restored historic house opened to the public on a regular basis on March 15, 1976.

Many years of effort had culminated in this event. The house, built around 1830, was donated to the county in 1969 by Mrs. Ella C. Wilburn and Mrs. Carrie C. Owings as a memorial to their parents. They stipulated that the building was to be restored and used as a public building. The Fairfield County Historical Commission oversaw years of restoration, beginning with basic repairs to stop deterioration and make the building structurally sound. Work proceeded in phases as grant money and donations became available. Finally the building was completed in May 1974, at a cost close to \$180,000. The architect was John Tabb Heyward, Jr., AIA.

The Fairfield County Historical Society, chartered in 1964, had over the years amassed a collection of historical items which was exhibited in the old Mt. Zion office building. This collection of furniture and artifacts was moved to the Cathcart-Ketchin building to form the nucleus of the new museum. Over the years many other items have been lent or donated to the Society for display at the museum.

In March 1976, William Wilson Taylor was appointed curator, and the museum opened with visiting hours three days a week and two Sundays a month. Since then over 25,000 visitors have enjoyed the expanding collection, ongoing changes, and special exhibits and events at the museum.

Traveling exhibits from the S.C. State Museum and other special events fill out the museum calendar each year. A new curator, Kathlyn Fritz, was appointed in December 1983.

The museum's birthday will be celebrated this

display will be pictures of the museum during restoration, architect's blueprints, and photo albums of museum events through the years. The public is warmly invited to come see their museum on its 10th birthday. The museum is located at 231 S. Congress Street.

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## Downtown in need of a facelift

Winnsboro's town clock dominates an area that consultants say could be made more appealing

John Collins/The State

# Dressing up Winnsboro

Towns Program, said downtown Winnsboro's appearance — except for a few notable exceptions such as the town clock, town hall, the county courthouse, Thespian Hall and the museum — "is pretty drab, bland and colorless. The image is poor," he said. Boozer said many buildings have

plans for two grocery stores, two drug stores and a major discount retailer — "means somebody believes there is opportunity in the Winnsboro area."

Steigerwald said Winnsboro could take a lesson from the neighboring city of Newberry, where he said there

greeted or asked if they needed assistance.

"I stood there for five minutes, and no one said anything to me" in one business, he said. "Customers should state Department of Archives and History, which must be matched locally. The town has agreed to contribute \$4,500 in matching funds.

# Dedication, Hard Work Benefit Researchers

Dedication comes in many different shapes and sizes, but sometimes it comes in the form of long hours and short pay, coupled with intensive effort.

If that definition of dedication is accepted, then the efforts of Ruth Stevenson, Sara Bolick, and Sarah Arnette at the Fairfield County Museum certainly fall into that category.

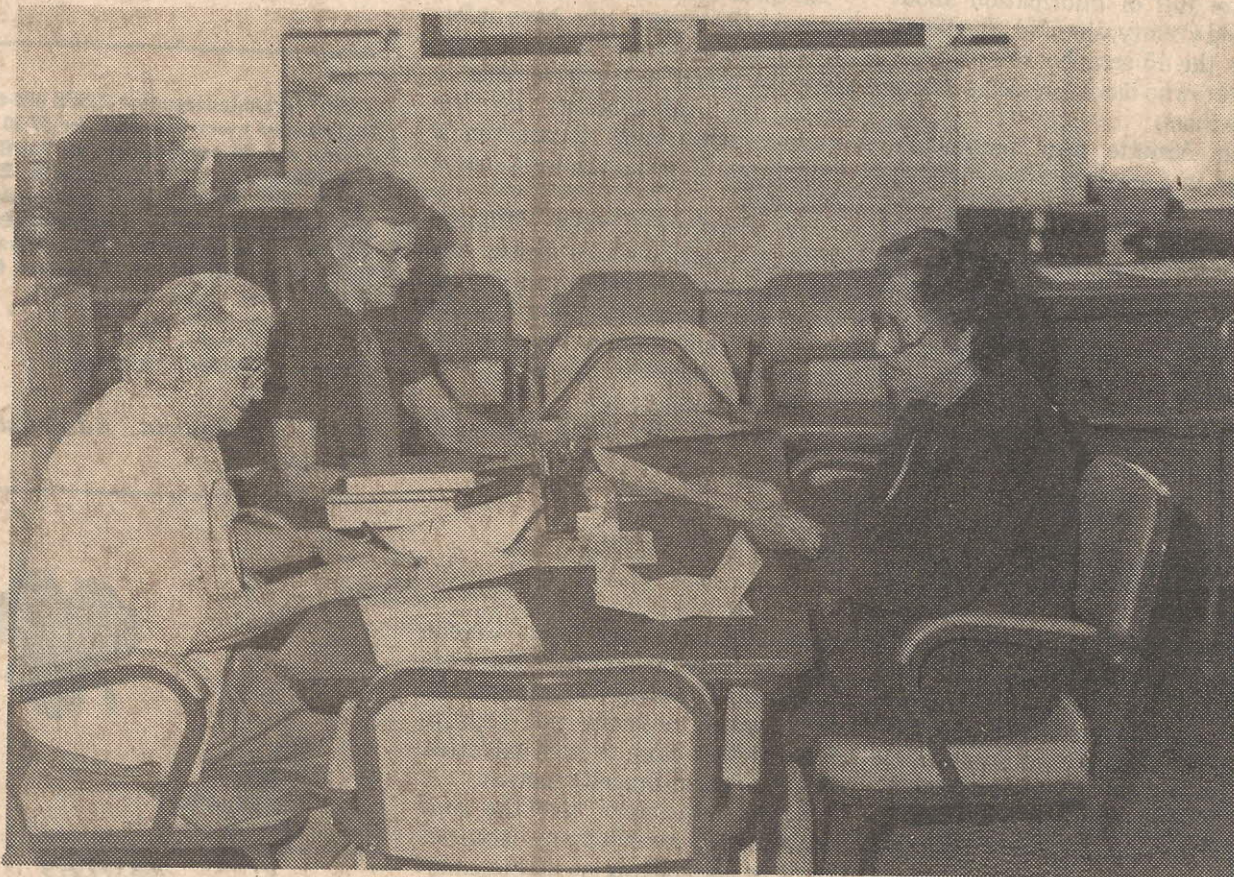
They are the volunteer staffers of the genealogy research room at the museum, and as such they handle requests from all over the country for information on families that have passed through Fairfield County on their way to other places.

Ruth Stevenson has been with the museum since it moved to Congress Street about ten years ago. "I was one of the docents for Bill Taylor," she said, and soon she began working in the genealogy room, which had its beginnings with the libraries of the DAR and the UDC.

Today the room sports not only those libraries but other books on genealogy and Fairfield County; books purchased with the limited funds available to them.

"We get people from everywhere," said Mrs. Stevenson, adding that she and her co-workers "try to keep a file about everything we do".

Many of the requests for genealogy information come in the form of letters. They get two or three every Wednesday (the day they staff the genealogy room), and sometimes as many as 12. Letters come to them in



Sarah Arnette, Sara Bolick, and Ruth Stevenson pour over genealogy records at the Fairfield Museum.

care of the museum, through the clerk of court and the probate judge, and at home.

In addition, a file is kept of work done by genealogists on Fairfield

connections. Each researcher is asked for a copy of their work to be placed in the file for the benefit of others. Many have cooperated, with the result that the room has on file a

few hundred files on Fairfield families.

Sara Bolick got into the genealogy business by working on her own future. This effort combines

an earlier project to list all the people buried in the family cemeteries of the county, a project undertaken by Bobby Rutland and late Miss Clee Hall. In addition, larger information is available on a black cemeteries.

"We're helping as many people as we can, black and white, to come up with family histories," said Mrs. Stevenson, adding, "if we could just manage to collect the information we already have" in the county, much progress would be made.

The three volunteers made a plea to people in the county who have information in the form of letters, family trees or research they have done, to give the information by the museum to be copied. It can even be done on a while-you-wait basis, Mrs. Stevenson said.

The Fairfield County Museum is ten years old this month, and the dedication of these three women made the past ten years fruitful for our community and for those who once were connected with the county in the past.

With their help, these years will continue.

# 'Doorways to Heaven' Combine Art, Philosophy at Museum

By Mike Avery

The Fairfield County Museum is hosting a traveling exhibit from the S.C. State Museum, entitled "Doorways to Heaven", a collection of gravestone rubbings done by Ed Clark, Ph.D., professor of English at Winthrop College.

Gravestone rubbings are a form of art, made by placing a sheet of rice paper over the face of the tombstone and rubbing the paper lightly with colored wax, transferring the impression of the tombstone onto the paper. The finished rubbing is then mounted or framed.

The "Doorways to Heaven" exhibit consists of about 30 rubbings, in many colors. Dr. Clark is the only person in the country at this time who does the rubbings in more than two colors.

Dr. Clark became interested in gravestone rubbings when he attended a National Endowment for the Humanities seminar in Boston in 1982, and noted similarities and differences between 18th Century gravestones in New England and the Carolinas.

"Some of these rubbings have real poignant epitaphs," said Fairfield County Museum Curator Kathy Fritz, Ph.D., "One is for six children, and is seven feet long," giving the names and dates for six children in one family who died as infants, she said.

Some of the rubbings show angels, while others show trees and streams, cherub faces, skeletons, and one, an arm and a leg severed from the body. The gravestone decorations are diverse and interesting, as well as

bearing the birth and death dates of the person buried, and some have a verse of poetry, an epitaph, or an admonition.

The Fairfield County Museum will be open Sunday, September 14, and Sunday, September 28, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. On Sunday, September 28, light refreshments will be served to Museum visitors as they view the exhibit.

Along with the exhibit, a videotape by ETV station WJWJ in Rock Hill will explain the gravestone rubbing process to the viewer and a model gravestone will be available to try the rubbing process.

The "Doorways to Heaven" exhibit is the most recent of several traveling exhibits sponsored by the S.C. State Museum and shown at the Fairfield County Museum.

Other offerings have included an exhibit of Jak Smyrl cartoons, an exhibit of famous black women in history, wildflowers of South Carolina, and "Inner Dimensions", an exhibit of photographs and x-rays of sea shells.

"I think this is a grand exhibit," said Dr. Fritz, adding "it is one of the most unusual exhibits we've had here and it hasn't been shown too many places yet."

"This exhibit doubles as an art exhibit and a revealing glimpse into history. Each of the tombstones tells a story, and many are philosophical," Dr. Fritz said.

The Fairfield County Museum is open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and 1:30-4:30 p.m., and is open the second and fourth Sundays of the month from 2-4 p.m.



Museum Curator Kathy Fritz examines gravestone rubbing example.

## Jackson Creek Cemetery on Tour

By Sharon C. Avery

The first stop on the Fairfield County Historical Society fall tour on November 13 will be Jackson Creek Presbyterian Church cemetery.

While most of Fairfield County's settlers during the 18th century were families of Scotch-Irish and English ancestry traveling down the great migration route from Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina, the Jackson Creek area was primarily settled by Irish immigrants who poured into South Carolina through the port of Charleston both before and after the American Revolution.

During the colonial period, most received land grants based on the headright system, which allowed for a set number of acres for every man, woman and child. After the war, the state handled the granting of land. Almost all of the Irish immigrants were farmers; however, many were also skilled craftsmen such as carpenters, tailors and millwrights. Jackson Creek was soon a relatively heavily populated, self-sufficient community.

Protestant in religious belief, it is generally thought they organized the Jackson Creek (Lebanon) Presbyterian Church sometime between 1770 and 1780. After earlier frame structures, a comparatively large stone sanctuary was built about 1800, according to the Fairfield Sketchbook. This church served the congregation for almost a century, until it became unsafe to use and members relocated at the present Lebanon site. The ruins of the old church and the overgrown cemetery still remain.

Buried in the Jackson Creek cemetery are many of the early Irish immigrants and their families.

On the right side of the old church are several graves with tombstones dating from the early 1800's. They are among the earliest marked graves in the county. The names on

the tombstones match with colonial grants of land in the area.

One of these immigrants, Archibald Paul, died in the Jackson Creek community in 1802 at the age of 76. The South Carolina Council Journal entry for January 12, 1768 lists the arrival of a ship named the James and Mary, under master John Moore, from Lorne. Among the many "poor Protestants" on board listed as petitioning for land from

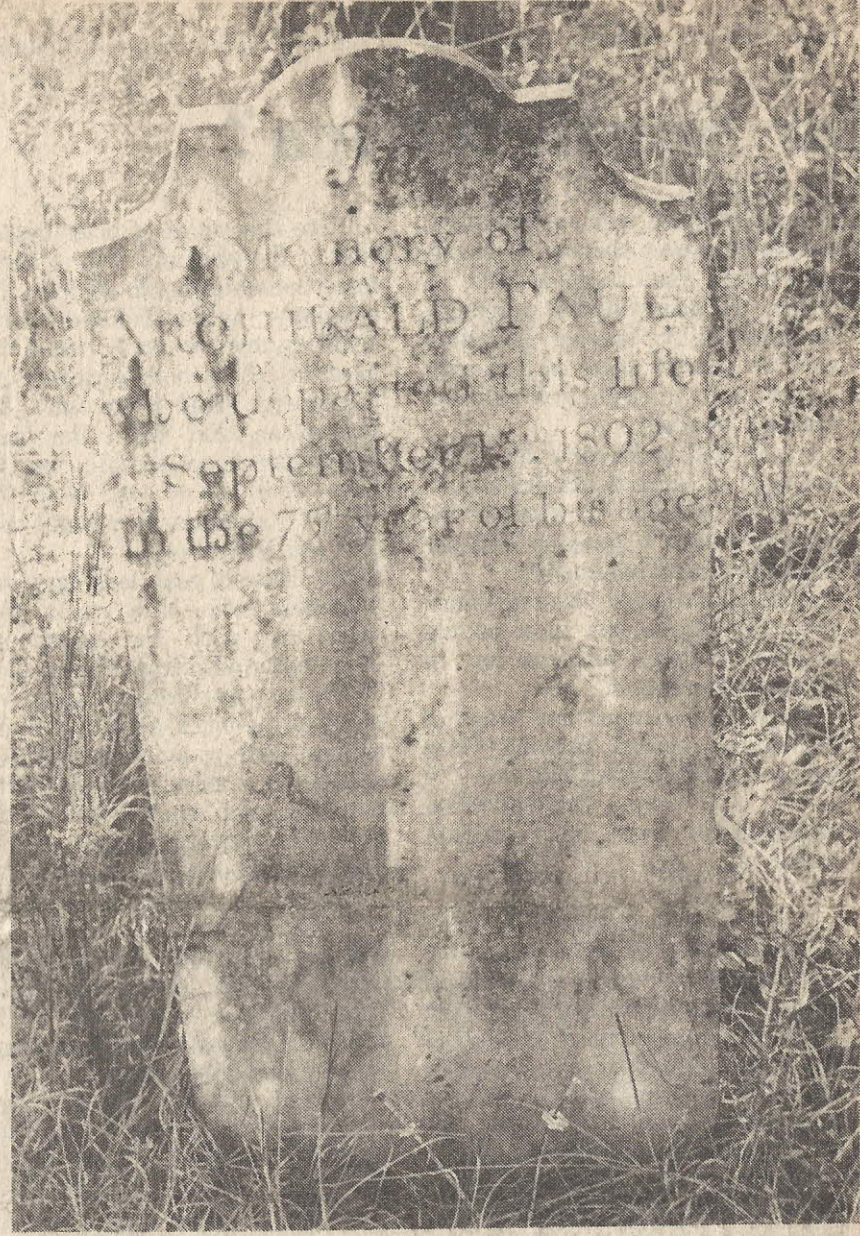
the Crown are several immigrants whose settled in Fairfield, including Archibald Paul, 36; Agnes Paul, 34; James Paul, 10; Sarah Paul, 8; Elizabeth Paul, 6; and William Paul, 4.

The Paul family appears to have prospered in the New World. The inventory of Archibald Paul's personal property made after his death in 1802 was considerable, listing 24

head of hogs, 15 head of cattle and a mare and colt, as well as shoemaker's tools.

Paul's inventory of household goods was typical for the time. Houses were small by today's standards and furnishings were limited to necessities. His will designated his eight children, James, William, John and Moses Paul, Betty Russell, Sary Robinson, Martha Robinson and Margaret Russell as heirs.

Fairfield Historical Society members interested in going on the fall tour may reserve a place on the tour bus by calling Mrs. Heilman at 635-3929.



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Some of the rubbings show angels, while others show trees and streams, cherub faces, skeletons, and one, an arm and a leg severed from the body. The gravestone decorations are diverse and interesting, as well as

bearing the birth and death dates of the person buried, and some have a verse of poetry, an epitaph, or an admonition.

The Fairfield County Museum will be open Sunday, September 14, and Sunday, September 28, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. On Sunday, September 28, light refreshments will be served to Museum visitors as they view the exhibit.

Along with the exhibit, a videotape by ETV station WJWJ in Rock Hill will explain the gravestone rubbing process to the viewer and a model gravestone will be available to try the rubbing process.

The "Doorways to Heaven" exhibit is the most recent of several traveling exhibits sponsored by the S.C. State Museum and shown at the Fairfield County Museum.

Other offerings have included an exhibit of Jak Smyrl cartoons, an exhibit of famous black women in history, wildflowers of South Carolina, and "Inner Dimensions", an exhibit of photographs and x-rays of sea shells.

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"This exhibit doubles as an art exhibit and a revealing glimpse into history. Each of the tombstones tells a story, and many are philosophical," Dr. Fritz said.

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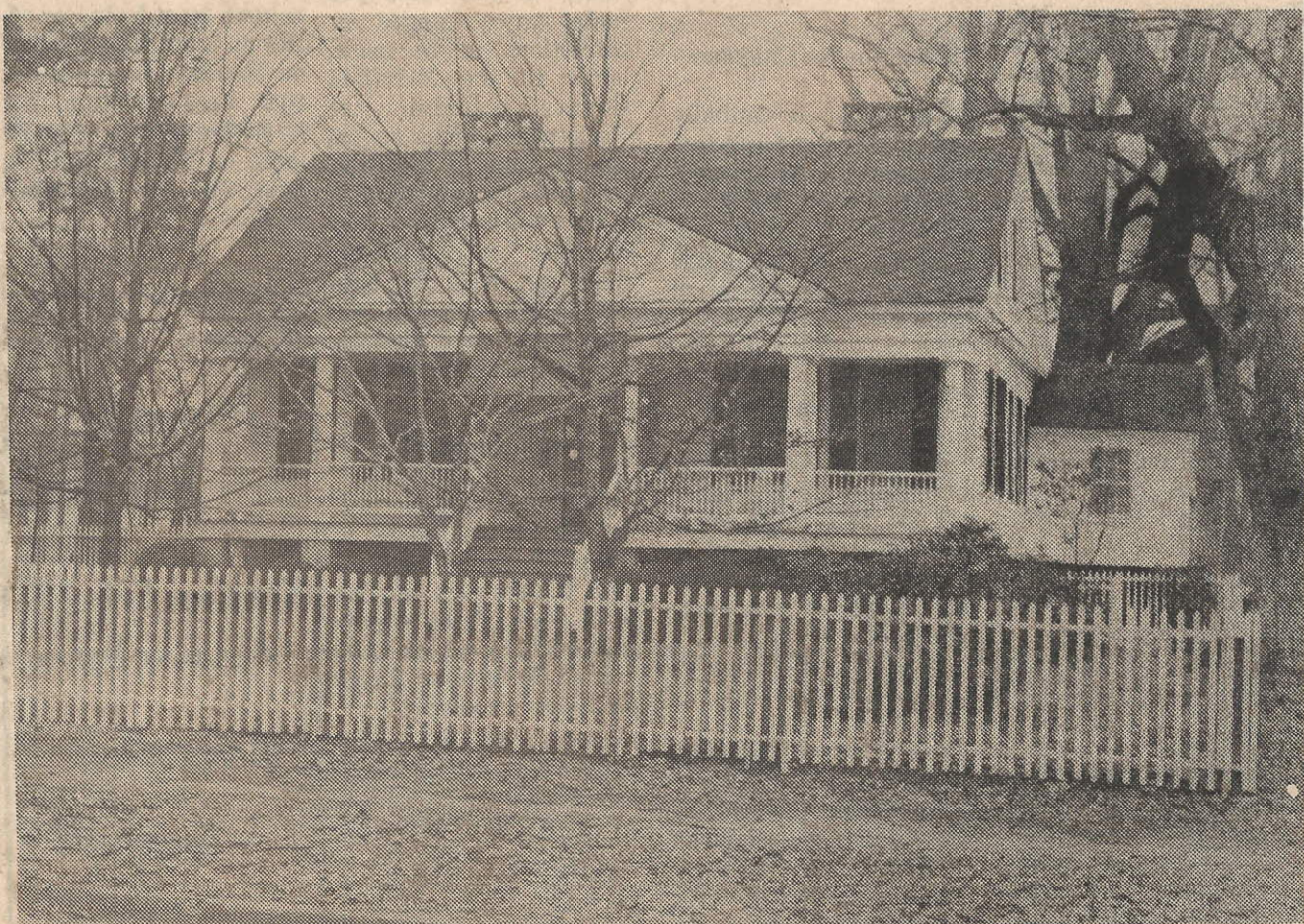
## Caldwell Home Graces Zion Street Since 1832

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The imposing two-story white frame house was originally built in 1832, according to Miss Caldwell, who states that the house was bought by her great-grandfather, Henry L. Elliott, as a wedding gift for his daughter, Marion E. Caldwell, in 1884.

Julian S. Bolick's *Fairfield Sketchbook* says the Caldwell house is one of the earlier cottage-type houses that were built in Winnsboro. It is described as being "rectangular, covered with a gently sloping roof. The roof of the house proper covers the porch which fronts it and is supported by four beautiful, fluted, round columns, two on either end. Jutting out from the porch is a gabled portico which covers the center portion... This is supported by four columns like those before mentioned, making eight columns in all across the front of the building and giving it a most impressive appearance. Plain picket bannisters enclose the porch, portico, and wide steps at the entrance. The step bannisters end against square newel posts, topped with acorn-designed caps. The floor level of this house is about four or five feet above the ground."

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Town Council accepted the land and petitioned the legislature for authority to erect a new market house and town clock. The authority was given "provided the building was no more than 30 feet in width". The red bricks used in the building's construction, although closely resembling the hue of Fairfield County clay, are said to have been brought to Charleston as ballast in the holds of sailing vessels. The building is supported by eight arches, now bricked up, that once opened to a marketplace where meat and produce were sold, and where slave auctions are thought to have been held.

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The clock had heavy iron weights and was wound by a windlass with large wire cables, and the old copper pendulum is still stored in the tower. The tower is reached by a narrow staircase winding around the 20-ft. long pendulum. It is not sure whether the original works were wooden or metal. Parts of the original works that moved the eight hands of the clock's four faces are strewn around the electric works that now power the timepiece.

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house is located in the heart of Winnsboro, it is built in the order of a plantation house with a cotton gin (burned in the early 1900s) and other outbuildings that are necessary to plantation life. The interior is spacious and beautifully adorned with handsome doors, mantels, moldings, and trim. It is a splendid example of the better homes that were erected in Winnsboro in the early part of the nineteenth century."

Miss Caldwell states that her great-grandfather paid \$2,000 for the house and lot when he purchased it in 1884.

Just last month, the old kitchen was torn down because it was seen to be unsalvageable and dangerous. The kitchen had large fireplaces with swinging cranes and pot-racks.

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Contest at Bethesda AME  
Bethesda AME Church will present Ms. South Carolina and her counties League's Legal Services for the Elderly Program. An attorney will be available and chorus will be at Winnsboro Council on Aging, 210 E. Washington Street, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 16, at 4 p.m. Fairfield Jr. High School. Public is welcome. Safety.

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# Robert Mills Courthouse

## Played Key Role in Fairfield County History

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Perhaps the best known building in Fairfield is the beautiful Robert Mills courthouse in downtown Winnsboro. Designed by the famous architect, it was built in 1823, and has played a key role in the history of this county ever since. As described in Bolick's Sketchbook, the classic building is executed in the true Mills' tradition - a large, rectangular structure, covered with a

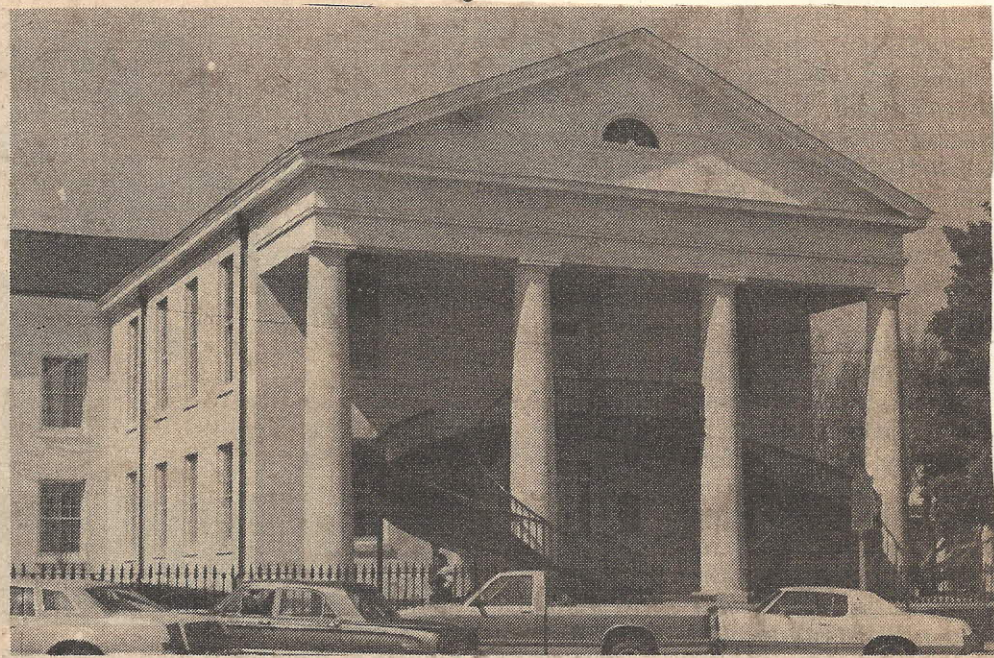
simple but pleasing gable roof that covers a broad, flagstoned portico. The four massive columns are well-proportioned and graceful. Originally two flights of wooden steps led up to the second floor but when the building was renovated and enlarged in 1939, the circular stairs of wrought iron and brass were added, along with a landing balcony that enhances the original beauty of the building.

The historical marker in front of the courthouse, erected by the Fairfield Historical Society in 1967, reads as follows: "A center of activity in the Regulator movement to bring law and order to the back country, this area in 1796 was made part of Camden District under the Circuit Court Act. In 1775, it formed part of the District between the Broad and Catawba rivers for election purposes. Laid out as the jurisdiction of a county court in 1785, Fairfield became a judicial district in 1880, and a county again in 1868."

The story is told about how the county records were saved during the

Civil War. When word came in February of 1865, that the Northern troops were headed toward Winnsboro, Sheriff Elijah Ollever hid the valuable documents in a swampy, wooded area on his plantation near Longtown. But the most valuable ones were hidden under the skirts and petticoats of the women and girls of his household, and the sheriff carried the jail records with him in his saddlebags and fled to the Wateree swamp for safety. Fortunately, the courthouse was not burned by the Yankees.

The courthouse was the scene of what many people call the bloodiest day in the history of Winnsboro. June 14, 1915, was the day when four persons were killed in front of the building when a group of citizens attempted to stop the trial of a black man charged with criminal assault. Shot dead in the outburst of gunfire were A.D. Hood, sheriff of Fairfield; Jules Smith, the man who was to be tried; and Clyde Eisenhower, the alleged leader of the attacking party. J.R.



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died later of his wounds in a Columbia hospital. Many persons were injured and four were charged with murder.

The building was renovated again and repainted in 1984 at a cost of several hundred thousand dollars. Fairfield's beautiful Robert Mills courthouse with its elegant walnut-paneled court chamber, stands today as a landmark in the history of

## Historic Fairfield House Being Renovated

By Sharon Avery

Among the featured sites on the Fairfield County Historical Society fall tour on November 13 will be Albion plantation house at Douglass. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, this beautiful antebellum house is being lovingly restored by its new owner, Mrs. Marge Woods of Clover.

Although renovation work is scheduled to continue throughout October and November, Mrs. Woods hopes to have Albion completed by mid-December.

Located at the end of a lovely tree-lined entrance lane, Albion is the largest and most elegant house in the Douglass-New Hope community. Three stories in height, architectural features include double piazzas across the front supported by ten large columns, large brick chimneys at either end of the house, and a gabled roof which extends over the second floor piazza in front.

Among the many fine interior features are elegant mantels, rosettes, cornices, mouldings, and two separate carved staircases. The front staircase, located in the central hall, extends two full stories up to a gable window on the third floor. This window provides an imposing view of the surrounding area.

Albion was built about 1840 as the plantation house of Alexander Douglass and his wife, Jeanett. Here,

the Douglasses raised a family of six children: John S., Jane G., Alexander S., Margaret S., Mary G. and Sarah E.

Alexander Douglass was both a planter and a blacksmith/wagon maker. According to the Fairfield Sketchbook, his shop was located off the road near the tree-lined drive leading to Albion. The plantation, in 1843, consisted of 835 acres.

Douglass owned more than fifty slaves and cotton was the major crop. Agricultural Census records report 72 bales of cotton grown in 1850 and 50 bales in 1860. Other crops grown include Indian corn, wheat, rye, barley and oats. Produce included fruit, butter and honey. In 1860, livestock at Albion included two horses, ten mules, 120 hogs and 35 head of cattle. Fifteen dairy cows produced 700 pounds of butter. Albion was one of the larger plantations in the area.

Alexander Douglass died in 1863, and estate records provide detailed listings of both the contents of the blacksmith and wood shops, as well as household furnishings, which included a secretary, piano, desk and rocking chair.

Following Douglass' death, his estate was divided, with Albion remaining in the Douglass family.

The Herald-Independent hopes to feature Albion after its renovation, in a future issue.



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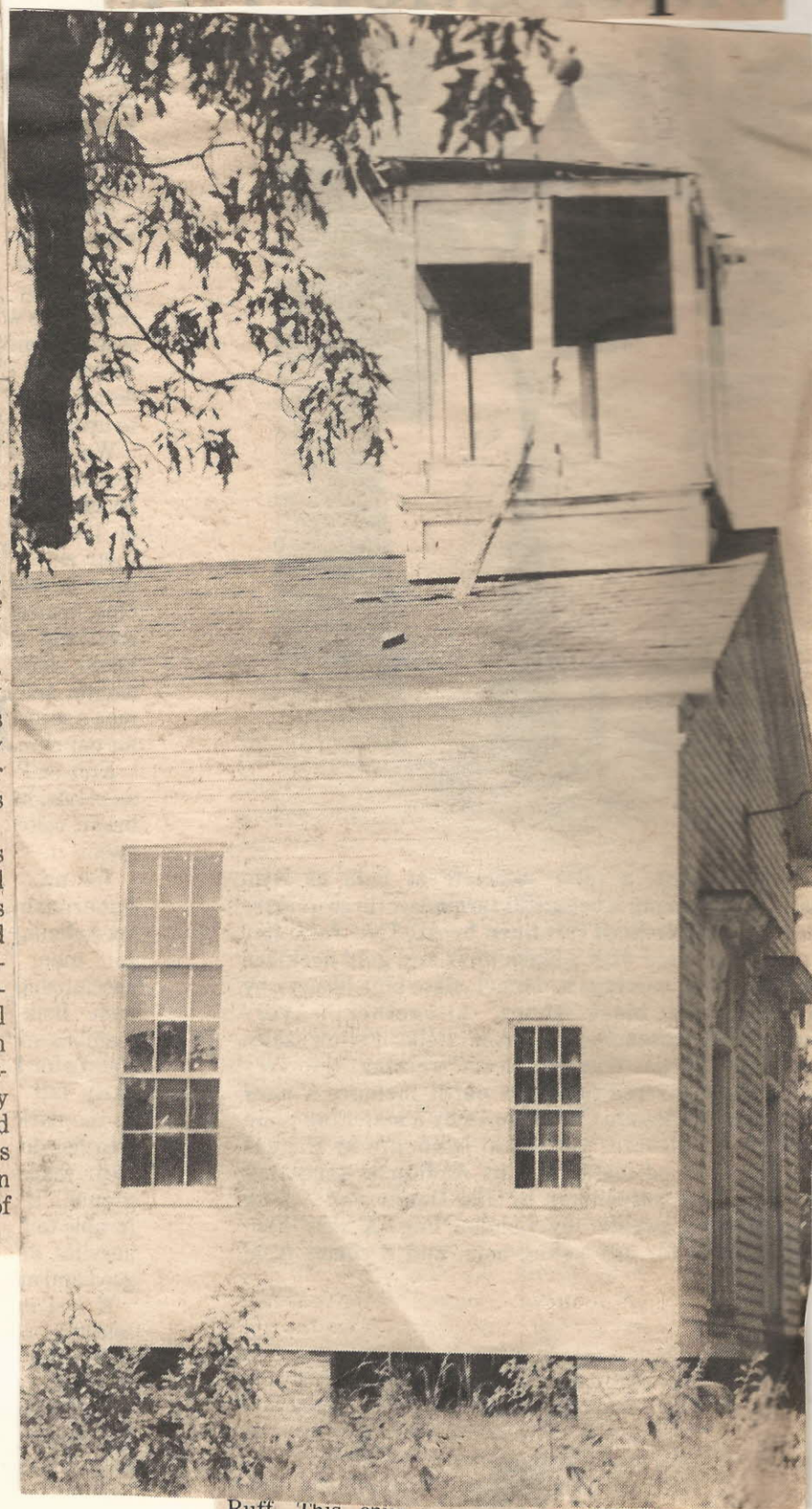
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The first floor was divided into offices and mercantile establishments. When the Columbia,

Charlotte and Augusta Railroad arrived in Winnsboro in the late 1840s, part of the first floor became the passenger depot for the railroad. Other establishments housed in the building over the last century and a half include the post office, Western Union office, Charles Muller's jewelry store, George White's baker, Col. J.H. Rion's law office, the county liquor dispensary, and the News and Herald newspaper.

Today, the old depot is the home of Tommy and Bertie Ketchin, and has been delightfully restored as a residence. The Ketchins received the Fairfield County Historical Society's preservation award in 1984. Mrs. Ketchin, owner of Ali's Alley in Five Points, and a gifted interior designer, has created a charming "town house" in the midst of downtown Winnsboro.

# The Renovation of Ruff's Chapel



Ruff. This church will be a lasting monument to him."

According to Ruff Chapel history, the first pastor, the Rev. Jesse Clifton, drew a large congregation from among the Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians and Episcopalians within the Ridgeway community. A community Sunday school met at the chapel on Sunday afternoons. An Episcopalian taught the Bible class, while a Baptist played the organ. It seems that the idea of interdenominational worship was the rule in Ridgeway at that time, rather than the exception. There was certainly tolerance of religion, and as Mrs. Florence Moore wrote in her history of Ruff Chapel in 1937, "Everybody went to church in those 'good old days', all worshipping God with singleness of purpose and good fellowship".

However, the "good old days" passed on along with the two world wars. Times changed and membership fell off during the 1950s. By the end of the decade, Walter Ruff, Secretary Beverly Adams, and Treasurer Serena Magill continue to welcome donations, which are needed to complete the remaining renovations. The association is also very grateful to the Fairfield County Historical Society for its recent and on-going support.

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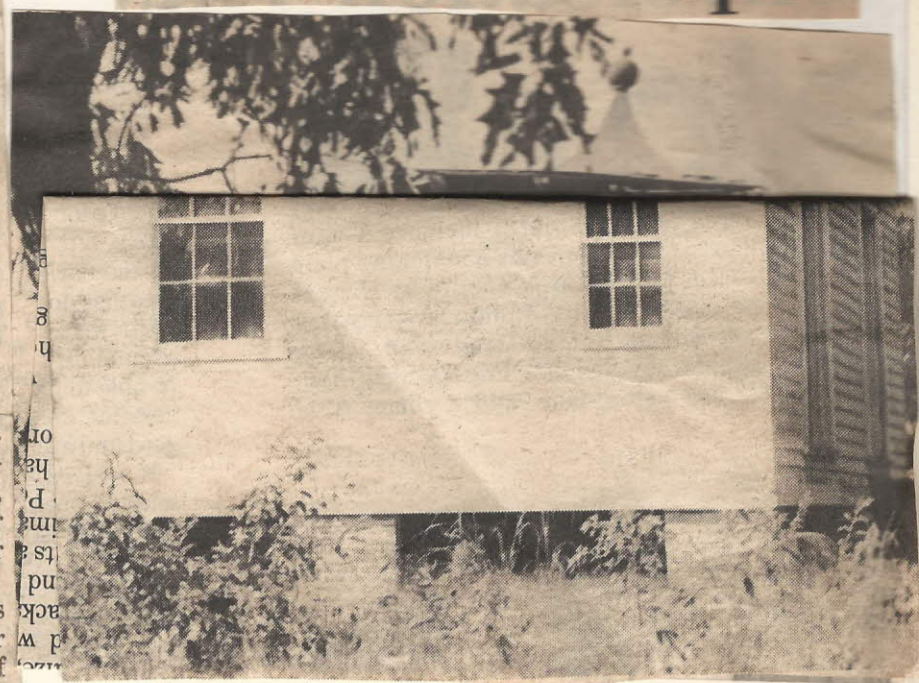
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# The Renovation of Ruff's Chapel



By Cathryn Kennedy

The old Ruff Chapel building, which stands like a sentinel near the South Palmer Street Ridgeway town limit, is finally being rescued by a group of citizens interested in the historic preservation of the once beautiful building and its cemetery. Weatherbeaten and ravaged by time and disuse, its steeple badly damaged and tottering, Ridgeway's sold Methodist church nevertheless has stood its ground since its erection in 1873.

At that time Methodist David H. Ruff, a prosperous Ridgeway businessman, had the building constructed from choice pine timber on his land. The bell was molded especially for the church, and according to local stories, Ruff threw sixty silver dollars into the molten metal while the bell was being cast in order that the bell might have a sweet, silvery tone. Ruff also furnished the interior with carpeting, a new organ, Bible, hymn books, a silver communion service, an eight-lamp bronze kerosene chandelier, and two other chandeliers on either side of the pulpit. According to an article in *The Fairfield Herald* dated October 1, 1873, "The whole expense was about \$3,500 and was borne exclusively by Mr. Ruff. This church will be a lasting monument to him."

According to Ruff Chapel history, the first pastor, the Rev. Jesse Clifton, drew a large congregation from among the Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians and Episcopalians within the Ridgeway community. A community Sunday school met at the chapel on Sunday afternoons. An Episcopalian taught the Bible class, while a Baptist played the organ. It seems that the idea of interdenominational worship was the rule in Ridgeway at that time, rather than the exception. There was certainly tolerance of religion, and as Mrs. Florence Moore wrote in her history of Ruff Chapel in 1937, "Everybody went to church in those 'good old days', all worshipping God with singleness of purpose and good fellowship".

However, the "good old days" passed on along with the two world wars. Times changed and membership fell off during the 1950s. By the end of the decade, Walter Ruff, Secretary Beverly Adams, and Treasurer Serena Magill continue to welcome donations, which are needed to complete the remaining renovations. The association is also very grateful to the Fairfield County Historical Society for its recent and on-going support.



# Rion House Featured on Tour

By Sharon G. Avery

One of the houses featured in the Chamber of Commerce's 1986 Tour of Historic Places Saturday is the Rion House, located on South Congress Street in Winnsboro. Since 1983, this lovely two-story antebellum house has been the home of Bob and Fritzi King, who are in the process of restoring it to its former beauty.

The Rion House is located in the area of Winnsboro once known as Clarkeville. This area, prior to 1867, was outside the incorporated limits of the town. It had been the property of Caleb Clarke, a prominent local attorney originally from Maryland, who moved to Winnsboro about 1805. After his death the property was divided into lots and sold during the 1850s.

Mansel Hall purchased the site of the Rion House in 1851. Local tradition says he built the house in 1855. Hall, listed in the 1850 census as a mechanic and in the 1860 census as the railroad agent, designed and built several fine homes. The Rion House, as originally built, consisted of two rooms upstairs and two rooms downstairs, with a central hallway on each floor. Hall sold the "two-story dwelling house and out buildings" to James H. Rion in 1857.

Rion was born in Montreal, Canada on April 17, 1828, and he and his mother, Margaret Hunter Rion, lived in the household of John C. Calhoun at Fort Mill. Rion was graduated with top honors from South Carolina College in December of 1850, and in 1851 accepted a teaching position at Mount Zion Institute. On December 11, 1851, he married Mary Catherine Weir of Columbia. Her father, Samuel Weir, was a Columbia newspaper editor and music director; following his death, she lived in the Hampton-Preston mansion in Columbia with the family of Col. John Preston until her marriage.

In 1854, Rion was admitted to the bar and then began a long and distinguished career as an attorney. At the outbreak of the Civil War, Rion was elected colonel of the Sixth Regiment of South Carolina Volunteers and later served with the Seventh Battalion of Rifles. Wounded three times in battle, he served with distinction.

By the time the Rions purchased the house in 1857, their growing family already included three children. By 1870, there were eight Rion children. During their residency, Rion substantially enlarged the house, adding wings to both the back and the south side of the structure. Rion was obviously an admirer of things French. Tradition says that he hired a French decorator to embellish both the interior and exterior of the structure. A beautiful carved solid walnut staircase, replacing an earlier one, was added to the central hall. Five medallions with French motifs including fleur-de-lis, ivy and lilies of the valley were added to the ceilings of the downstairs rooms. Etched, rose pattern, cut crystal side panels were imported by Charles Comfort Tiffany from France to adorn the double walnut doors in the main entrance. Two brass and Britannia chandeliers with exquisitely etched shades were hung in the two large downstairs rooms.

The front of the house was also embellished during the Rions' remodeling. The original structure probably had a simple porch across the front. Six large, handsomely-turned and exquisitely carved Corinthian columns were added. Anchored on the veranda, which extends across the front of the house, these columns support a balcony with massive, handsomely turned bannisters.

Col. Rion was stricken with an angina attack on December 11, 1886, following the celebration of his 35th wedding anniversary with family and friends. He died the following morning. During his final hours, he told his doctors that he was the son of the lost Dauphin of France, son of Louis XVI, and as such had been placed as a child in the home of then-vice-president John C. Calhoun. News of the story spread quickly and caused much excitement in the town.

One of the most brilliant and interesting men to have lived in Winnsboro, newspapers across the state chronicled his death. Editorials repeatedly referred to Rion as the state's leading lawyer.

The Rion House remained in the Rion family until the early 1900s.

The present owners, Bob and Fritzi King, are former residents of Columbia.

About five years ago, they decided that, instead of looking for a retirement home in the mountains or at the beach, they wanted an older house in one of the neighboring towns, a house they could enjoy now. After several months of searching, they found the Rion House. From their first look, they both knew it was the house for them.

For the past three years, the Kings have painstakingly restored the house, being careful to retain its original character. Heart pine floors have been refinished, as has the lovely walnut staircase, and two unique Rion chandeliers have been stripped down to their original metals, brass and Britannia.

Walls and woodwork have been scraped and stripped of paint, including nine coats from the hall woodwork and five coats from the double walnut doors in the entrance.

Restoration of the interior of the 1855 structure and part of the south wing has been completed. In the renovation of the house, careful attention has been paid to blend the new with

the old. Two large, built-in floor-to-ceiling closets and a window seat in the upstairs dressing room beautifully match the molding on the doors. An upstairs bathroom added over the back porch has pine floors, brass trim, and an old-fashioned tub with gold painted feet, which fits perfectly with the rest of the upstairs.

The rooms have been furnished in a formal, elegant style with both English and American antiques and reproductions. The Kings have purchased very little furniture for the house, and many of the pieces are family pieces. Fritzi's grandfather made the game table in the hall, as well as a lovely side table in the living room. Family treasures in the living room, which is decorated in soft shades of apricot and gold, include a rosewood desk and chair which belonged to her

grandmother and an English tea table which belonged to Bob's family.

The Rion House will be open this Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. as part of the Chamber's tour.

## Thespian Hall

Along with the Robert Sanders' home, featured in last week's Herald-Independent, the third home on the tour is the

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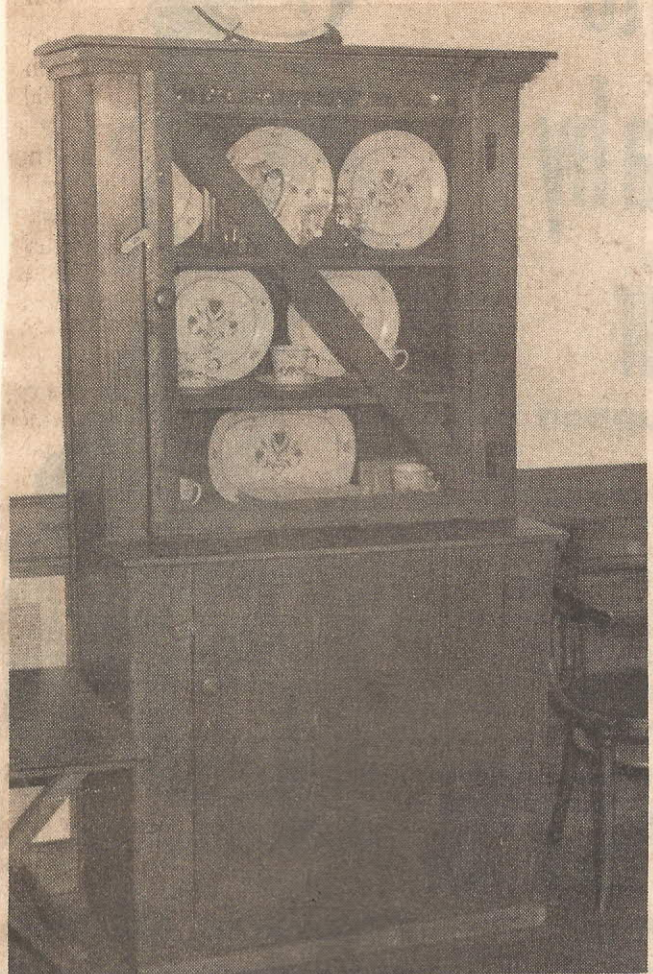
In March of this year, the United Methodist Church of South Carolina sold Ruff Chapel to the Methodist Church Cemetery Association of Ridgeway for the sum of \$601. The old building, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, stands on a small rise on the north side of the Ridgeway railroad bridge just off Palmer Street.

The Ridgeway Cemetery Association was formed in order to preserve the Methodist church cemetery, and to repair and use the Ruff Chapel building for religious and eleemosynary purposes within the town, according to Association President Walter Ruff, great-great-nephew of the chapel's founder, David H. Ruff. This is intended to include Ridgeway Ministerial Association meetings and fall revival, interdenominational worship services, and other uses by Christian groups.

So far, the sixteen-member association has spent \$4,000 in donated monies to build a foundation under the chapel. (When the cornerstone was removed, it was discovered that the papers buried there, including a Bible, had all decomposed; however, several U.S. coins were still in fairly good condition.) The second phase of the project, expected to be completed within the next three months, is to restore the steeple, paint the exterior, and replace the original bell which has been removed and stored for safekeeping. During the project's third phase, the interior of the building will be renovated.

Association members have been extremely grateful for the generosity of those who have given their money to the cause. Donations have poured in from Ruff's Chapel members all over the state, as well as from families and friends of deceased members, and from those interested in preserving the chapel as an historic site in Ridgeway. President Walter Ruff, Secretary Beverly Adams, and Treasurer Serena Magill continue to welcome donations, which are needed to complete the remaining renovations. The association is also very grateful to the Fairfield County Historical Society for its recent and on-going support.

# 92 'Old Home Place' Featured on Tour of Historic Places



This old kitchen safe is one of the many attractive furnishings of the Sanders' home. Stolen from the house while it was vacant, it was recovered from the Charlotte flea market. The house, called the "Old Home Place" was the home of Mrs. Sanders' grandparents. (H-I Photo)

One of the homes featured in the Fairfield County Chamber of Commerce's 1986 Tour of Historic Places is the Sanders' home, located on Hwy. 213, about seven miles west of Winnsboro. Built in 1898, this lovely two-story Upcountry style farmhouse, with chimneys on either end, has been home to three generations of the Park family.

William D. Park married Sallie Timms on December 28, 1879, and after the birth of their first child, in 1881, he purchased the 532 acres of land on Mill Creek known as the "Rabb Place" for his young family. They made their home in an old log house on the property. By 1898, the family had grown to include seven children, and it was

time for a larger house. This two-story farmhouse was built by Tom Bryce, from lumber cut on the property. Family tradition says that Bryce built the house in forty days for \$40.

The house consisted of a central hallway and two rooms upstairs and downstairs, as well as a small room and porch on the front side and two other rooms and a porch across the back. The interior of the house was finished in wood, with pine floors, wooden walls and ceilings. The width of the wall and ceiling boards vary from room to room. The mantels are very unusual, and according to tradition were the work of John Isenhower, a craftsman who spent several weeks with the family while completing them. (Isenhower is listed in the 1900 Fairfield County Census as a 75-year old mechanic living in the Wateree Creek area.) The mantel in the dining room is the most elaborate, designed with several layers of wood in geometric patterns to add depth and interest.

After the Park family moved into the new house, the old log home was used as a kitchen.

In 1909, the house was substantially enlarged to include a kitchen and wing across the back. The windmill, located west of the house in the farm yard, was added in 1911.

After the deaths of William and Sallie Park, the farm remained in the family, being for many years the home of two of their children, Young and Rosa Belle Park. Young Park died in 1979 and the house stood empty until 1982, when Margaret Park Sanders and her husband Robert undertook the task of renovating the house, which had

fallen into disrepair. The house has a special meaning for Mrs. Sanders. She was born here, and after her birth, her parents built a house nearby. She has many fond memories of times spent visiting, and doesn't remember a Friday or Saturday night she didn't spend here until she went away to college. When other grandchildren came to visit sometimes they slept "six in a bedroom".

Today the "Old Home Place" has been delightfully renovated, emphasizing the country aspects of its original construction. The floors were lightly sanded and the walls, which had never been painted, were scrubbed down and sealed during renovation. New siding and chimneys were added to the house, and the porch extended across the front. Boards taken from the front porch were used in construction of a bathroom upstairs, and boards removed from the exterior boxing under the eaves of the roof were innovatively used in making cabinets for the new kitchen. Much of the 1909 edition had to be gutted; however, attic boards from the house were used as replacement flooring for the new den. A spacious sunroom overlooking the gardens was added.

Throughout the house, Mrs. Sanders has decorated with country accents. Crafted items, braided rugs, and early American furniture styles, both formal and primitive, add warmth and charm to the country decor.

Family antiques further add to the character of the home. Proudly displayed in the kitchen is an old kitchen safe, used to store dishes and leftovers in bygone days before the advent of the refrigerator. Upstairs in one of the

bedrooms is a lovely Victorian bed that belonged to her aunt, Rosa Belle Park. Two of eight woven chairs made for her grandfather in 1878 still remain. According to Mrs. Sanders, the wood was cured by placing it in a creek for some time before it was made into chairs.

Outside, the Sanders are working to create the gardens that existed during her childhood. They have used brick from the old chimneys and laid paths around the house and through the gardens. Near the gardens sits an old smokehouse, which was on the property when her grandfather purchased it in 1881.

The renovation of the "Old Home Place" has been a labor of love for Margaret Sanders, and those who take the Chamber of Commerce Tour on April 26, will enjoy seeing this old farm place.

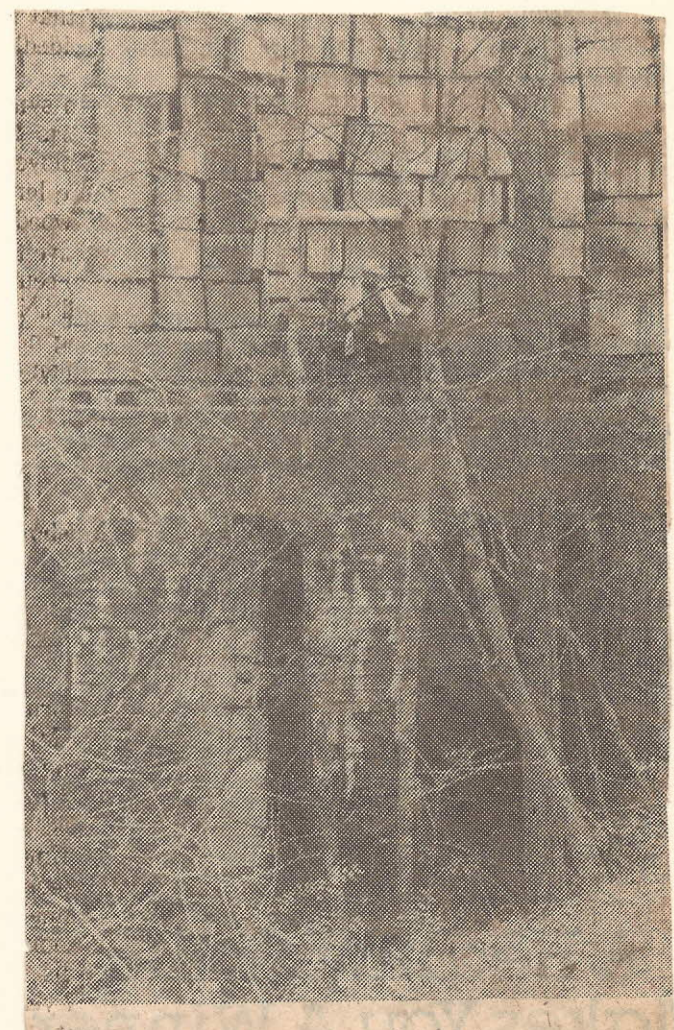
In addition to the Sanders' home, ten other historic buildings, churches and homes will be included on the tour. In Winnsboro, the tour will include the museum, which will have on display entries in the annual Recreation Commission Art Show; the Town Clock and Chamber of Commerce's newly renovated office; the Thespian Hall apartments of Tommy and Bertie Ketchin; and the Rion House, home of Bob and Fritz King. In West-

ern Fairfield, there will be the Sanders' home; Old Brick Church; Monticello Methodist Church; Little River Baptist Church; White Hall A.M.E. Church; Ray Blair's old store at Blair; and the Feasterville Boarding House, which has recently been refurbished. A chartered bus will be available for two trips into Western Fairfield, one at 10 a.m. and one at 1:30 p.m. Lunch, old-fashioned picnic style, will be available at the Boarding House and at the Town Clock-News and Herald Tavern. Tickets are \$5 for the tour; \$10 for tour and lunch; and \$11 for tour, lunch and bus ride. For further information, or to reserve tickets, call the Chamber office at 635-4242.



The Sanders' home on Hwy. 213 west of Winnsboro, is one of the homes featured in the 1986 Chamber of Commerce

Tour of Historic Places scheduled for April 26.



A Scenic View on the Rockton & Rion Railroad



**MARKER DEDICATION** — Calvin Miller, a cousin of noted educator Kelly Miller, unveiled a marker dedicated to Dr. Miller and the Fairfield Institute at the end of a ceremony on Sunday afternoon. The marker was erected by the Fairfield County Historical Society, and appearing on the program were Society President Neal Truslow; the Rev. James H. Hudson; the Winnsboro High School Chorus; Sharon G. Avery; Harvey Chatman, principal of Kelly Miller Elementary School; Ben F. Hornsby, Jr.; Calvin C. Miller; and Dr. Marshall C. Grigsby, president of Benedict College, who delivered the dedicatory address.

At 3 p.m. Sunday, a historical marker honoring Kelly Miller and commemorating the Fairfield Institute will be dedicated by the Fairfield County Historical Society. The dedication ceremony will be held at the site of the marker on Congress Street, between Moultrie and Palmer streets.

**The Fairfield Institute**

The Fairfield Institute, also referred to as the Presbyterian Mission School, was established by the Northern Presbyterian Church during Reconstruction for the education of blacks. Prior to the Civil War, the activities of free blacks and slaves were strictly regulated by state law, and it was illegal to teach blacks to either read or write. After the war, there was a great need for educational institutions for blacks, and into this void in southern education stepped a number of churches and missionary societies.

On February 1, 1869, the Presbyterian Commission on Home Missions, incorporated in New York, purchased land in Winnsboro for a black school. This land, fronting on both Congress and Vanderhorst streets, was purchased for \$2,200. Also in 1869, the Rev. Willard Richardson, a native of Pennsylvania, arrived in Winnsboro to take charge of the proposed school. Richardson was 53 years old when he arrived in Winnsboro and remained here as minister, principal and

and daughter Clara, lived in the Clarke House on Congress Street, which was included in the 1869 purchase. This house was recently demolished.

The school soon had a growing number of students. The *Charleston Republican* reported in the spring of 1870 that a large school for black children had been established in Winnsboro "under the superintendence of Mr. Richardson, a gentleman from the North, and great praise is due him for the pains he takes with the children". The story also refers to attempts of black county residents to establish free schools for their children throughout Fairfield County.

The school building was probably built immediately; however, no mention of its construction is made in the local newspaper, the *Fairfield Herald*. During the 1870s, activities at the Mission School were sporadically noted in the newspaper. Stories usually concerned programs and recitations held at the nearby Presbyterian Church (Calvary Presbyterian Church), near the corner of Moultrie and Vanderhorst streets, and also founded in 1869. One newspaper account says Richardson employed the "Kindergarten System", which stressed teaching children ideas, and to think before taking up books. Five- and six-year olds could locate and identify all of the countries and capitals of the Eastern and Western hemispheres.

The earliest reference to the school building itself is made in *South*



Estelle Liston, 94, held her birthday and the annual reunion of the Liston family at McCrorey-Liston High School on Saturday, April 26. Shown with Mrs. Liston, wife of Hardy Liston for whom the school is named, are her sons and daughters: Dr. Theodore D. Phifer, Hugh Liston, Dr. Juliette P. Bustermann, David Liston, Sara Liston Spurlark, Hardy Liston, Jr., and Estelle Liston Muse. Daughter Aurelia Liston Law is not shown. Mrs. Liston was treated to a dinner and was addressed by Rep. Crosby Lewis, Dr. Raleigh Buchanan, Robert Davis, Josie Gaston, and others. (H-I Photo)

**tion Ceremony Honors Kelly Miller, Fair**

*Carolina: Resources and Populations*, published by the State Board of Agriculture in 1883. The subchapter on Fairfield County refers to the Fairfield Mission School as a wooden structure built at a cost of \$2,000. The location of the school on Vanderhorst Street and its frame structure is verified both by later remembrances of the school and late 19th Century insurance maps of Winnsboro.

Over the years, several out-buildings for student boarders were added to the school and parsonage.

In 1879, the Peabody Fund of Staunton, Virginia awarded grants of \$450 each to Mount Zion Institute and to the Fairfield Institute. To qualify for Peabody funds, each recipient had to be a free common school, have an enrollment of at least 100 students, operating funds at least twice the amount of the Peabody grant, and a minimum of one teacher for each fifty studens.

In 1880, there were approximately 200 students at Fairfield Institute. Sources indicate that of the students, 100 were studying to become teachers and 20 were preparing to enter the ministry. This source also noted that Rev. Richardson "has for a number of years labored most acceptably as principal" with the assistance of three women teachers (one of whom was his daughter, Clara).

For many years Richardson was active in both the Fairfield County Teachers' Association and the annual local Teachers' Institute, held each summer.

In May 1887, Richardson resigned as head of the Fairfield Institute. Closing exercises for the school were conducted at (Calvary) Presbyterian Church. The *News and Herald* reported the "entertainment was a very interesting one, and the scholars showed thorough training..." Later in the summer

Richardson left Winnsboro to retire in Delaware.

Fairfield Institute continued to operate for a year after Rev. Richardson's departure, but no further accounts of the school appear in the local newspaper. A final mention of the school appeared in the *Columbia Register* of April 28, 1888, in a front page story on Fairfield County, which stated "...there is in Winnsboro, a Presbyterian Mission School, with some 200 pupils..."

The Institute closed permanently at the end of the school term merging with the Brainard Institute in Chester.

**Kelly Miller**

Kelly Miller was born in Fairfield County July 23, 1863. His parents Kelly Miller Sr. and Elizabeth Miller, were both natives of Fairfield County. Kelly Miller, Sr., born about 1827, was one of a very small number of free blacks living in the county prior to the Civil War. His parents Isaac and Milly Miller, were both free blacks. In addition to Kelly Miller, Sr., their children were Isaac, Rebecca, Elizabeth (or Eliza), Thomas and Mary. Records indicate that Harriet Bird was another daughter. There may have been additional children. The Millers were closely related by marriage to the Oglesby and Bird families - other free black families in the county.

Kelly Miller Sr. was listed as a mechanic in the 1860 census and as a farm laborer in later censuses. His brother, Isaac Miller, represented

The Fairfield County Historical Society cordially invites you to the unveiling of a historical marker honoring Kelly Miller and the Fairfield Institute on Sunday February 2, 1986 3 p.m. South Congress Street Winnsboro, South Carolina

# Community Volunteer Fire Dept. is now a

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Fairfield Community Volunteer Fire Department was the forerunner of a movement which has seen six volunteer departments established since 1971. Before then, the county had only one rural volunteer department, and its members were inactive.

The year 1971 was the one in which residents in the unincorporated area south of Winnsboro became interested in obtaining a fire protection system.

Community was built with profits from turkey suppers and other fund-raising activities. At that time, there were no county, state or federal funds available for the purpose of establishing rural fire departments; Community was already well established by the time the county appropriated its first monies for rural firefighting in 1977.

Currently, the nine rural departments (including Wateree Station, which came into the system this year) are governed by a Rural Fire Board, and emergency fire calls are dispatched through a central communications system. Because these departments have received ISO classification ratings, property owners in Fairfield County save thousands of dollars annually insurance costs.



In the beginning, Community answered calls with a 1952 GMC trucked donated by Raymond Moore; a 1948 Mack firetruck donated by Uniroyal (pictured above); and a pumper obtained from Fort Riley, Kansas, with the assistance of Sen. Strom Thurmond.



These days, the pride of Community's fleet is this 1984 Chevrolet, which has a 1,000 gal. per minute pumper, and meets all state and federal specifications for firefighting equipment.



The Community VFD Fleet consists of a 1948 Mack, 1976 Chevrolet, a service van, 1979 Chevrolet, and the 1984 Chevrolet which is the latest and most up-to-date vehicle owned by the department.

# Mack Trucks, Inc. Holds Groundbreaking Ceremonies

By Mike Avery

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the new \$80 million Mack Trucks, Inc. plant were held Thursday, May 1 at the Mack Truck site and the old National Guard armory in Winnsboro.

About 350 persons gathered at the Mack site on highway 321, south of Winnsboro, to observe the traditional shoveling of the earth at the site and to listen to the comments of a host of dignitaries.

John Curcio, president and chief executive officer of Mack Trucks, Inc., stated that the new Mack plant will be a state-of-the-art assembly plant that turns out a new model Mack truck, built with a modular construction concept. This is the first heavy-duty truck plant to be built in that fashion.

Curcio said there were several factors involved in Mack's decision to locate in Winnsboro, among them proximity to southern markets, lower taxes, reasonable utility costs, the availability of technical education, and the enthusiasm of recruiters.

Curcio said "this plant symbolizes what we believe is a visible sign that Mack is a leader in this global industry."

Fifty-four percent of the new population growth is in the South, said Curcio, who added that this region is becoming the "number one" truck market for heavy duty trucks. "We felt we had to follow our markets," he said.

Mack Trucks, Inc. is a global company, said Curcio, doing business in 80 countries around the world.

The new Mack truck to be built in

Winnsboro was designed because Mack "had to produce a high quality Mack truck while lowering the cost of our product to be competitive throughout the world market," said Curcio.

South Carolina Governor Richard Riley commented at the Mack groundbreaking ceremonies that "we have turned over a new chapter in our state's economic life and the economic life of this country."

The location of Mack Trucks, Inc. in Fairfield County is "a confirmation of everything we've been saying and claim about this state," said Riley.

"We are on the cutting edge of technology," said Riley, referring to facilities like the new Mack plant that have recently located in South Carolina.

Riley cited the state's "well-trained workforce" and a "unified spirit" with impressing Mack "that we were serious."

He stated that the state's current economic growth is a result of the state's "rich return from long-term investment in people."

It is estimated that approximately 251,000 Mack trucks are in operation in the United States today. Mack has 762 independently-owned sales and service outlets including approximately 242 distributors that sell vehicles and provide service and approximately 503 service dealers and 17 parts dealers that do not sell vehicles. In addition, Mack has 22 company-owned sales and service branches.

Sales of the company's products overseas are made through approximately 121 franchised distributors and branches in 80 countries.

"It best met the criteria of this company" is all he would say about the site decision. "I can't tell you what the labor rates are going to be."

McCullough said his office had received 260 calls from the media, as well as other inquiries, including those from people interested in jobs.

He said it would be next week before the company made any statements regarding the decision.

But there is some basis on which to judge where Mack's savings will come from, and one of them certainly is labor costs.

There are no industries in South Carolina comparable to Mack, but, in October 1985, the average hourly wage for a production worker in the state was \$7.62, compared with a national average of \$9.54 an hour. It's estimated that fringe benefits will add another 35 percent to those totals.

Those close to the project in Winnsboro said they understood that Mack would pay an hourly wage of about \$11, but there has been no official word on the wage scale.

When Union Camp Corp. opened its paper mill in Eastover in 1984, trainees started at \$6.75 an hour.

United Auto Workers union members at Mack's Allentown, Pa., plant make \$23 an hour, including fringe benefits.

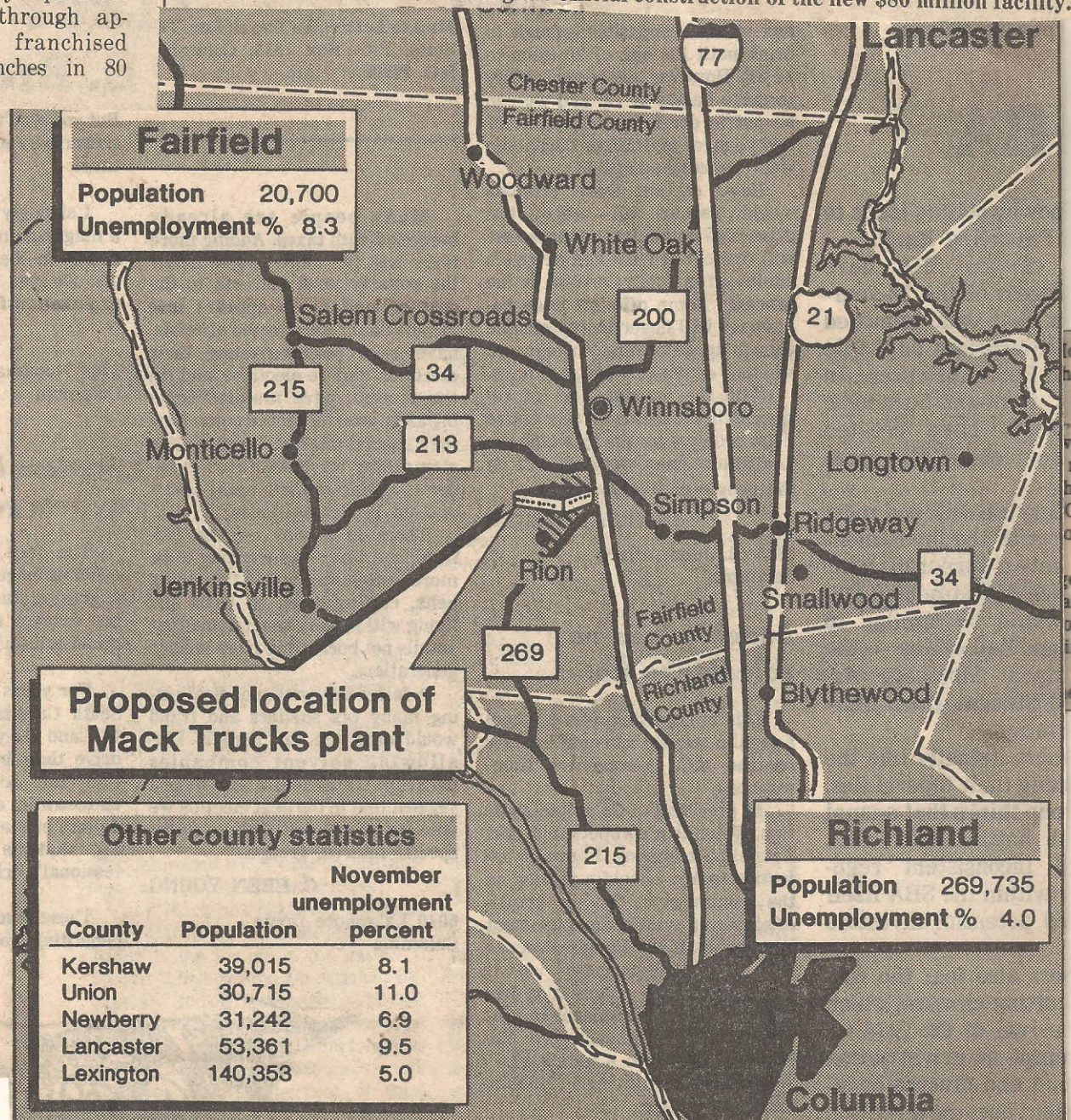
Mack had sought a \$2.04-an-hour wage cut from the UAW, which in turn had offered savings in increased productivity and cost reductions from fewer jobs at a new plant in the Allentown area. The union estimated that a new plant in the Allentown area would have employed 800 fewer people than the 1,800 employed at the current plant because of automation.

Another problem under negotiation was the 100 job classifications of union workers at the 60-year-old Allentown plant. Its competitors also have moved south and have established non-union or company-union plants with sharply fewer job classifications.

Another cost advantage for the company will be in electricity. While both Fairfield Electric Cooperative and South Carolina Electric & Gas Co. are still negotiating with Mack over who will supply the electricity, the company's utility costs will improve.



TURNING THE EARTH — John Curcio, right, president and chief executive officer of Mack Trucks, Inc., spoke to a crowd of about 350 persons at ground breaking ceremonies Thursday, May 1. A host of dignitaries shoveled the traditional scoops of earth, commemorating the official construction of the new \$80 million facility.



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Company officials, however, continued to be unavailable for comment on what went into their decision to locate at the Winnsboro site.

On Friday, Mack spokesman William McCullough said brusquely, "I'm not going to say why we chose Winnsboro" or why the company decided not to go somewhere else.

"It best met the criteria of this company" is all he would say about the site decision. "I can't tell you what the labor rates are going to be."

McCullough said his office had received 260 calls from the media, as well as other inquiries, including those from people interested in jobs.

He said it would be next week before the company made any statements regarding the decision.

But there is some basis on which to judge where Mack's savings will come from, and one of them certainly is labor costs.

There are no industries in South Carolina comparable to Mack, but, in October 1985, the average hourly wage for a production worker in the state was \$7.62, compared with a national average of \$9.54 an hour. It's estimated that fringe benefits will add another 35 percent to those totals.

Those close to the project in Winnsboro said they understood that Mack would pay an hourly wage of about \$11, but there has been no official word on the wage scale.

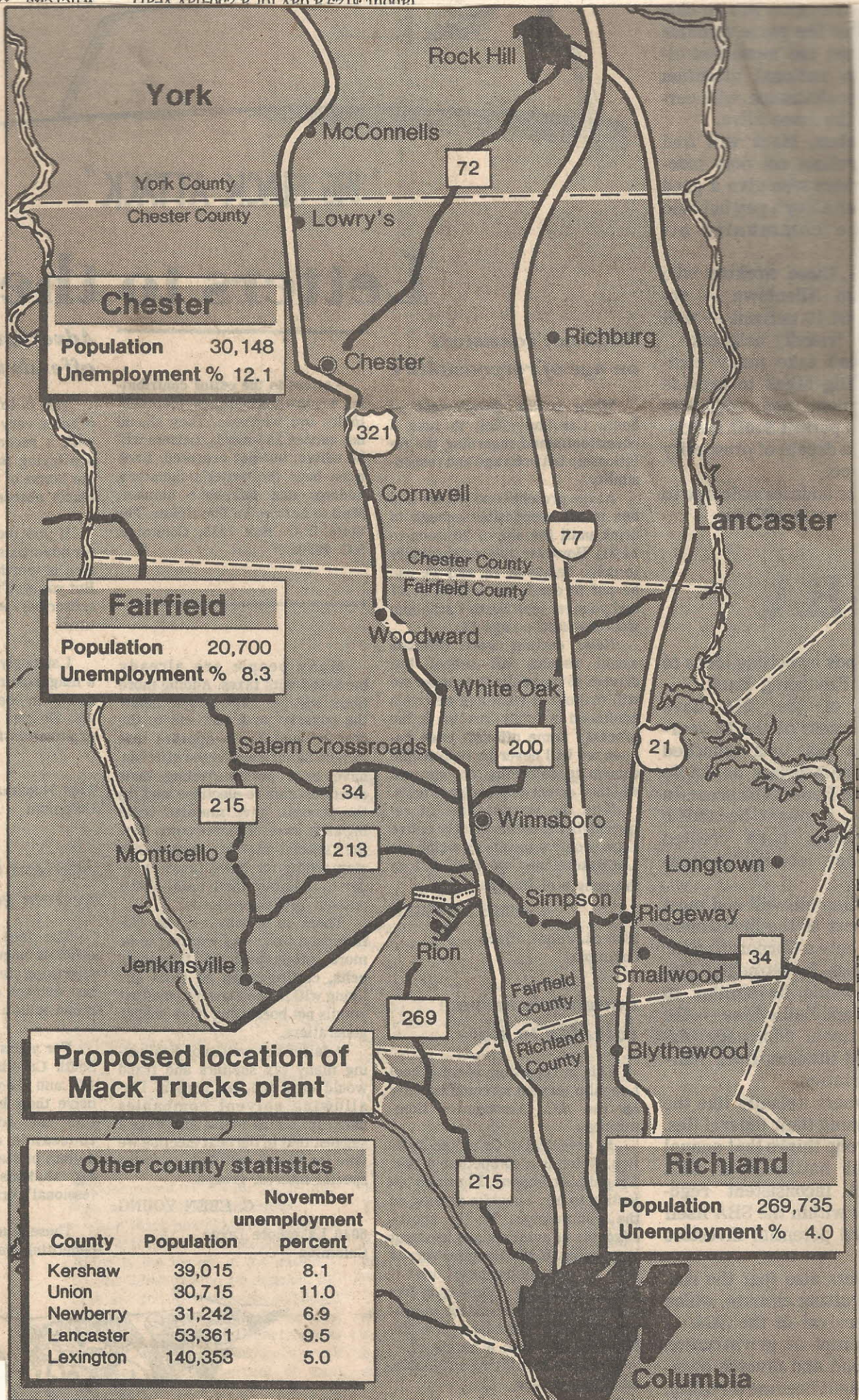
When Union Camp Corp. opened its paper mill in Eastover in 1984, trainees started at \$6.75 an hour.

United Auto Workers union members at Mack's Allentown, Pa., plant make \$23 an hour, including fringe benefits.

Mack had sought a \$2.04-an-hour wage cut from the UAW, which in turn had offered savings in increased productivity and cost reductions from fewer jobs at a new plant in the Allentown area. The union estimated that a new plant in the Allentown area would have employed 800 fewer people than the 1,800 employed at the current plant because of automation.

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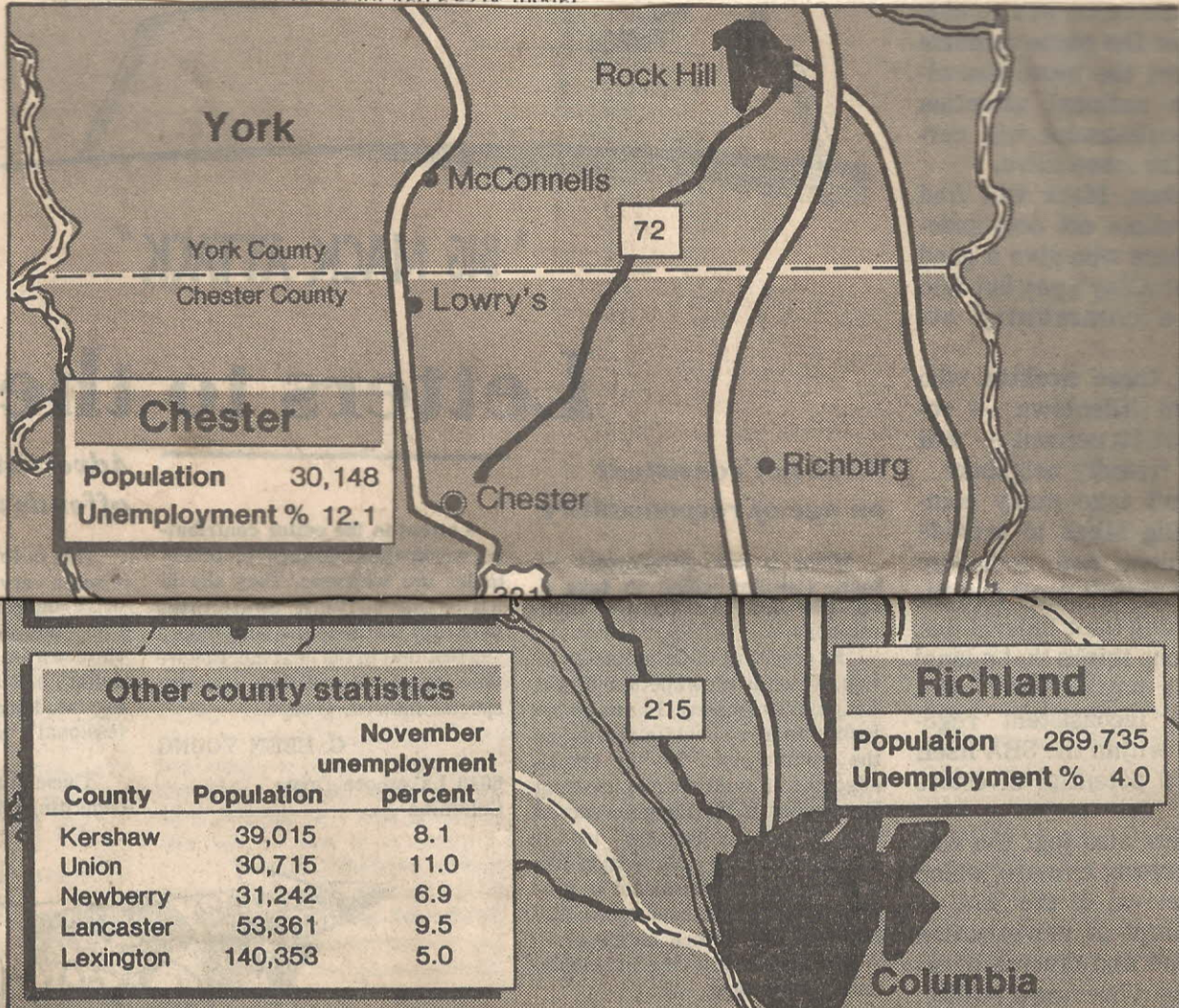
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These services have already MOVE CHAIRS, and many others have announced their scrambling plans.



## Costs

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The Edison Electric Institute says a facility that uses 5,000 megawatt hours a month of 10,000 kilowatts of electricity would pay an electric bill of \$274,405 in Pennsylvania. It would pay \$224,593 in South Carolina.

And State Development Board officials note that the total degree days (both heating and cooling) in South Carolina would be fewer, compared with Pennsylvania.

The company also will come out ahead on construction costs, according to a study of such costs in 1984 by Marshall Valuation Services.

Setting the national average at 100, the service rates Pennsylvania at 102, compared with 84 for South Carolina, a 17.6 percent difference.

And Mack no doubt took a look at South Carolina's work stoppage rate, which is the lowest in the nation.

The latest official government figures are for 1979 because of budget cuts that discontinued such surveys. But those Labor Department figures showed that South Carolina's work stoppage was .02 percent of total hours, compared with .14 percent for the nation in 1979.

Alexander Grant & Co., an account-

ing and management consulting firm that has continued to monitor work stoppage, said in a report issued in June 1985 that South Carolina had no work stoppages involving 1,000 or more workers for the two-year period ending in 1984. Pennsylvania's percentage, meanwhile, was .122 of work time lost, compared with a national average of .091.

It's not known how much Mack might use the port of Charleston, either for exporting trucks or for importing parts, but it will find a port that is much less costly than either New York or Philadelphia, according to Ann Moise, the director of public relations for the S.C. State Ports Authority.

"We are less costly for dockage, storage, wharfage, crane use, handling and the length of time goods can be on the dock free than either New York or Philadelphia," she said.

She added that inland transportation — rail and truck — also costs much less than transportation from New York or Philadelphia.

"It's a very emphatic difference," she said about the overall cost of business. Furthermore, she said, "labor productivity is much greater than either of the two, and our pilferage rate is the lowest in the nation."

Cost of living in South Carolina also is considerably lower than in

Pennsylvania, said J. Mac Holladay, the executive director of the State Development Board.

"There is no question that, beyond the basic assumption that we could provide the skilled workers needed" and the quality of life in South Carolina, the cost of living in South Carolina vs. Pennsylvania is the reason Mack favored the move.

Including a tax package that's competitive with other states, he said, the deciding factor for South Carolina was the cost of doing business here.

"It's a total package," he said.

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Winnsboro, South Carolina

## The Mack Story - Hope, Anxiety, then Jubilation

By Faye Johnson

Elated. Ecstatic. Jubilant!

All of the above words have been repeated over and over as Fairfieldians were called upon last week to express their feelings over the announcement on Wednesday by Mack Trucks that the nation's second largest truck manufacturer will locate a plant on Hwy. 321, just south of Winnsboro.

Earlier in the week, before Mack formally notified Governor Dick Riley at 3 p.m. Wednesday, an air of anxiety and expectancy hung over the Fairfield community, as news of the impending decision leaked to the daily news media. On Tuesday, the team working on the "Mack pack" led reporters a merry chase, as they frantically tried to escape the media long enough to answer all the questions posed by the truck manufacturer. The group found refuge at the homes of Walter Brown and his mother, Mrs. Boyd Brown, in Winnsboro. That evening, University of South Carolina President James Holderman entertained Mack officials with a cocktail party, at which Governor Riley delivered the package containing the state's incentives. Then, on Wednesday, as Governor Riley was making final preparations for his state of the state address, he received a telephone call confirming what many Fairfieldians had been praying for - Mack would come to Winnsboro!

Walter Brown, a member of the Economic Development Commission and one of those who had spent untold hours working to entice Mack here, said he was at the State House when the word was given. "My first reaction was tears," he later recalled.

State Representative Crosby Lewis stepped to the podium to make the announcement that was later flashed across area television screens. Still later, Lewis would comment: "Fairfield County has been waiting for this for 200 years!"

Mack is not expected to pay as high in wages here; cost of living is not as high as in Pennsylvania, and less than the \$23 per hour (some estimate one-half) would still be good wages here.

Mack looked at several states, and at various sites in South Carolina. They first contacted the State Development Board, then were referred to B.B. Cole and the E.D.C., because they were interested in the Columbia vicinity. While flying over Richland and Fairfield counties, Mack representatives spotted the Ellison property on Hwy. 321. They liked what they saw.

Later, they were to be shown other sites in the county, but the Ellison property (sometimes called the Rion property) seemed to have everything they wanted. Negotiations began in earnest.

Walter Brown, who negotiated the sale of the site where Rite-Aid will build, was contacted, and he, in turn, began talking with the Ellison family.

David Brown comments that the Ellison family have known about Mack's interest in Fairfield "almost from the beginning", but didn't talk to anyone, thereby keeping the confidentiality so important to industry recruitment.

Mack Trucks liked the Ellison property, and they liked Fairfield, but not until the governor was officially notified on Wednesday did anyone involved breathe easily. And a whole lot of work had to be done in swift order to nail down the industry.

### The Package

Several years back, Fairfield County joined the Economic Development Commission, consisting of Richland and Lexington counties and the City of Columbia. This group has pledged its joint resources to the recruitment of "good, quality" industry for the areas included in its membership. B.B. Cole and Mike

*"You have to kiss a lot of frogs to get a prince."*

*Rep. Crosby Lewis*

### They "Flat" Liked us

Gov. Riley said Mack Trucks "flat" liked South Carolina.

The things they liked about Fairfield County were the tax rate; the V.C. Summer Nuclear Plant (Rite-Aid also commented favorably on the Summer Plant); the warmth of the community; and the way the county and the Town of Winnsboro worked together.

In answer to a question from Fairfield Councilman Robert Davis, a Mack official said the visiting representatives of the truck company liked the attitude of the people in Fairfield County as well.

On Tuesday of last week, they took a tour of the Winnsboro area. They visited Richard Winn Academy and Winnsboro High School, took note of the building program at Fairfield Memorial Hospital and the new Fairfield Central High School, and looked at several residential areas.

At Winnsboro High, School Superintendent Raleigh Buchanan took the visitors through the partially renovated facility, and answered questions on curriculum. BSAP scores, plans in terms of upgrading. Buchanan had a packet of information ready, and assured the Mack people that the curriculum now in place "will serve the needs of the community for many years". The Mack people were especially interested in the school's media center and science lab.

Buchanan was another who used the word "ecstatic" in describing his reaction to the Mack announcement. "I'm just ecstatic," he said, "this is the first time anyone has asked to look specifically at the schools. This is the first part of the dream we had in 1982, when we asked for the

main building will be built on a hill close to Hwy. 321, and it is estimated that 115 acres will be under buildings or concrete for parking.

There will likely be an entrance into the Mack property from Hwy. 269; however, the main artery will be the cut-through road south of the industrial park, and Hwy. 34 East. The short stretch of road which connects 321 and 34 will be upgraded, possibly to three lanes. The stretch of 34 from I-77 to Rockton will also be enlarged, either to dual lanes or with a passing lane. The cost will be over \$2 million.

Many Fairfieldians have expressed feelings of gratitude to the Ellisons for making the land available at an acceptable price. A site looked at by Mack in Richland County had a much higher price tag than the \$4,900 per acre asked for the Fairfield land.

### Employment

Naturally, the biggest question in the minds of those who need or want jobs with Mack, is when will they start hiring? Although there is no word on this yet, it has been stated that a training program will get underway in the near future.

The speculative building located in the Industrial Park will be completed for use as a classroom; likely some testing will be done to determine eligibility for the training program.

(When Union Camp built its plant at Eastover, a center was set up for taking applications. Written aptitude tests were given for jobs in the plant area; those seeking employment in the offices were referred to another department and asked to present resumes.)

Midlands Technical College and

Chairman Coit Washington spoke out at the council's meeting on Monday, saying: "This is the first opportunity we have had to thank personally each member of the council, (administrator) Bob Bullard, the delegation, Winnsboro and Ridgeway town officials, the county attorneys, and Tommy Richardson (county tax assessor), who, with his staff, worked many after-office hours getting necessary information. Washington also thanked the Ellison family, who sold the property to Mack; Walter Brown, who worked with council to recruit Mack; and Faye Johnson of The Herald-Independent, who withheld all mention of Mack from the newspaper, although she knew weeks in advance the company was looking at Fairfield.

Councilman Robert Davis said Mack's decision is a "super idea. We're very happy to have them here. It's going to be something. It's going to have a major impact as to jobs. The tax base will increase. Super thing all the way around."

Ann Pope stated: "Our people deserve this - a chance to stay at home if they choose, earning higher wages and enjoying an increased quality of life. This will diversify our economy - there are so many industries that are susceptible in one area. I'm excited about the possible spin-offs and the domino factor. I think we'll still be able to retain our bucolic aspect and have the best of all worlds, and in my opinion, it's high time!"

Carnell Murphy agreed that Fairfield is most fortunate to "get a company such as this is...it means so much to the workers here, not only in Fairfield County, but the Midlands of South Carolina." Murphy said Mack's decision will bring relief

from the unemployment from textile mills in Chester, Great Falls, Winnsboro and surrounding counties.

"It is the type of industry that will pay the salary necessary to raise the standard of living in Fairfield County. Now it's left up to the Fairfield County citizens to seek out the type of training that is necessary to work on this type job," Murphy declared.

He made a prediction: "We have loyal, hard working, trainable citizens here, too. It'll be a long, profitable marriage between Fairfield County and Mack Trucks".

David Brown called the location of Mack Trucks in the county "the finest thing that has happened for Fairfield County and surrounding areas - for all the hard-working, dedicated unemployed workers due to cutbacks in textiles. It will give them opportunities that they well deserve and it will bring growth to Fairfield County."

And to the northeast of Fairfield, in hard-hit Great Falls, the mood is subdued but hopeful. Mayor Tony Paulos said unemployment in his town is currently ranging from 25 to 30 percent. He told The Herald-Independent he is proud Winnsboro got the industry, and feels Winnsboro is a good location for Mack. Paulos said Great Falls is hopeful of getting one of the support industries that will come South with Mack.

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across area television screens. Still later, Lewis would comment: "Fairfield County has been waiting for this for 200 years!"

Lewis also aptly described the county's long search for industry. "You know, industrial development is not an easy thing. It's like the old fairy tale, you have to kiss a lot of frogs before you finally get to a prince. We've worked hard and we've finally gotten a prince in Mack Trucks."

Speaking of all the people involved in the industry recruitment effort, Lewis described the effort as "not a one-shot deal, it takes lots of hard work both by citizens and officials".

Fairfield County Council Vice-Chairman David Brown also praised the cooperation from various areas. "Everything has been brought about by very dedicated people, everybody from the governor on down." Brown especially praised the efforts of B.B. Cole and Mike Eades of the E.D.C.

Fairfield Councilwoman and member of the E.D.C. Ann Pope also praised the efforts of County Administrator Bob Bullard, saying Bullard had worked long, hard hours seeing the project through to the end. Pope said Bullard's expertise in working with northern industry was a great plus. (Bullard came to Fairfield from Pennsylvania.)

#### Joint Effort

Why did Mack Trucks decide to come to Fairfield County and South Carolina?

Several factors figured in Mack's decision. One was an out-dated plant, built some sixty years ago. As in the automobile industry, Mack is facing competition from foreign truck makers with state-of-the-art factories. Another was the failure to reach an agreement with the United Auto Workers' Union. Mack was also seeking a number of cost-cutting factors, and they were able to find them in the Palmetto State.

At the plant that will be closed in Allentown, Pennsylvania, approximately 1,800 workers are employed. The plant turns out 52 trucks a day. The hourly wage, including benefits, is \$23.

The Mack plant in Winnsboro will be much more modern, employing robots for some of the assembly work. Mack says they will hire 1,200 workers for the new facility. South Carolina is a right-to-work state, and although there are unionized workers in Fairfield County, there is no strong union movement here, and it has been years since there was a strike, and that one last briefly.

The new plant in Winnsboro will turn out 70 cars per day.

has pledged its resources to the recruitment of "good, quality" industry for the areas included in its membership. B.B. Cole and Mike Eades of the EDC were very much involved in the discussions with Mack Trucks, as were Walter Brown and Ann Pope, Fairfield's EDC representatives. From the very beginning, Mack Trucks had to be impressed with the amount of cooperation given by the county, the Town of Winnsboro, and the Governor's Office.

Information was readily supplied as called for, and potential roadblocks just as quickly overturned.

The county didn't have to promise to move any mountains; it will, however, have to move a co-axial cable and about a mile of Rockton and Rion Railroad tracks. It will also have to extend the runway at the county airport between 4,200 and 5,000 ft.; both Mack and Rite-Aid have turbo-prop jets. Hopefully, 90 percent of the monies for the runway addition will come from federal sources.

According to Walter Brown, the action that "seemed to tie the knot", though, was the swift passage of legislation in the General Assembly that added Fairfield to a list of counties where a tax incentive plan was already in action to induce new industry.

Rep. Lewis explained that twelve of the state's rural counties were in a group which could offer an income tax credit of \$500 for each new job created. Fairfield County Council had earlier petitioned to be included in that group, but did not qualify. In order to allow Fairfield to qualify, and offer the extra incentive to Mack, a bill was introduced in the House and Senate finance committees to expand the intent of the original bill by enough counties to reach a formula that would include Fairfield. That "magic" formula made counties with a population under 25,000 available for the tax credit. The amended bill passed the Ways and Means and Finance committees on Tuesday of last week. When it went before the General Assembly on the same day, both bodies granted unanimous consent for the first reading, with the second and third readings to be held before the week was out.

Mack, apparently, was suitably impressed.

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#### What Next?

Mack wants to break ground for its new plant on February 14, thereby giving Fairfield one mighty big Valentine. The company wants to be ready to go into operation by late June of 1987.

In between now and June, 1987, the pace will be furious. The Town of Winnsboro, which will provide water, gas and sewerage, has committed to having construction utilities on the site within 30 days from last Wednesday. The town also presented a proposal for electric service, as did Fairfield Electric Cooperative and South Carolina Electric & Gas.

AT&T has already been on the site, preparing to move their cable; the Rockton & Rion tracks must also be moved immediately.

Winnsboro Town Manager L.C. Greene says the town has "been involved since Day One". He said permanent utilities will be installed by the latter part of December. Greene said there will have to be some upgrading in the size of gas pipes, requiring some cost, but "we don't mind for a project of this size".

Greene also commented that the outlook for federal grant money to run a water line from Winnsboro to Ridgeway is very promising. He said the town may have to upgrade its present water plant or build a new one. Fortunately, there is a plentiful supply of water, "even if we go to Ridgeway". The present sewer plant can easily handle the heavier load; plant capacity is 1.8 million gallons per day, and only up to 300,000 gallons are being treated a day at this time.

The town is also considering a request to run a gas line to Rite-Aid.

Winnsboro Town Councilman Joe Steele probably best summed up the town's role by saying simply, "We're going to be as busy as we can be!"

#### The Site

Mack Trucks is purchasing a 153-acre tract, with option for 13 more acres, from the Ellison family. The

employment in the offices were referred to another department and asked to present resumes.)

Midlands Technical College and possibly Fairfield Vocational Center will be involved in the training program.

As noted by Fairfield Voc Center Director Robert Sharpe, one Mack official commented that the labor "is not all that skilled". Sharpe says the Voc school graduates 14 or 15 students each year from the machine shop. These students have been finding work within a 30-mile radius of Fairfield; "now there will be an opportunity here," Sharpe said.

#### The Long Haul

Now that Rite-Aid will create somewhere in the neighborhood of 200 jobs, several present industries are expanding, and Mack will hire 1,200, county officials are looking forward to attracting the satellite industries expected to move south with Mack Trucks.

Ann Pope says the county will vigorously recruit "quality" industries, perhaps some involved in research and development. Pope also says the council wants to do everything possible to ensure that Fairfield people get jobs. "We want our people there, and we're going to work on that quickly. If there are spillovers (in jobs), I'm glad neighboring counties can benefit."

David Brown also is looking forward to more industry: "The next step is making sure we do get some of these support companies to further enhance the quality of life in Fairfield County," he said.

But that job is left up to the industry recruiters; the average Fairfieldian is looking ahead to a McDonald's, more grocery stores, new shops, maybe a movie theatre, and a bowling alley, who knows?

The mood here in Fairfield is definitely upbeat, and the second two hundred years promises to bring all sorts of exciting changes.

And Fairfield is definitely looking forward with anticipation and curiosity to those changes.

#### Council Speaks...

Members of the Fairfield County Council have to be on Cloud Nine; the announcement of Rite-Aid's location here was exciting, and Mack Trucks' location almost too good to be true.

Members of the council have expressed appreciation to any and everyone who had anything to do with enticing Mack.

## ...and a Gold Mine, Too!

While visions of Mack trucks dance through the minds of just about everyone in Fairfield these days, a mostly unwatched pot simmers quietly on the southeastern side of the county.

For several years, mining companies have been delving into the earth, looking for gold.

Well, the gold is there, and Philip "Buzz" Prescott of A.M. Selco Exp., Inc.'s Camden office says a decision will have to be made soon as to whether to move forward with plans to mine the gold.

Much preparation has been done already. Landowners in the Centerville-Sawney's Creek area have been contacted, and some have already sold land or mineral rights. Prescott says his company is preparing "in order the company should decide to move forward".

Selco isn't the only mining company interested in the area; there are at least two other outfits already working there.

And it must be serious. Recently, homeowners in one specific area have been contacted about moving.

There are several variables involved; the price of gold is one. Gold has recently gone back up in value, and if it stays up, it might make the heavy expenditures involved in mining it feasible.

Then, of course, there is land acquisition, and clearance from state agencies responsible for overseeing environmental impact.

Hmmm...V.C. Summer on the western side, Mack Truck in the center, and a gold mine to the East?

Things may be looking up in Fairfield...

## County's Youth Excited

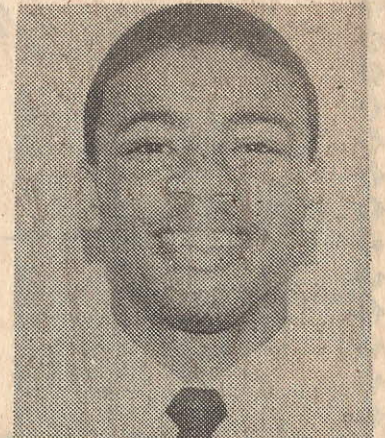
The coming of Mack Trucks to Fairfield County has excited the county's young people as well as their elders.

It's no secret that many of the county's young people leave after high school or college graduation in search of greener pastures because of a lack of opportunity at home. Now that situation has changed, and is changing rapidly.

The Herald-Independent decided to talk to some of these people who may be most affected by the coming of new industry to Fairfield County - our young people.

Eight seniors were interviewed at Winnsboro High School and asked what effect the coming of Mack Trucks will have on their lives and the lives of their friends.

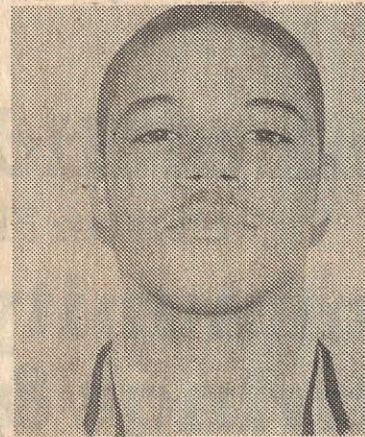
Michael Squirewell's activities in school this year include basketball, senior assembly, and being a bus driver. He is planning to go to Midlands Technical College and major in mechanical engineering, and then to apply at Mack Trucks for a job. He now plans to stay in Fairfield County if he can get a good job, "otherwise I would have gone somewhere else".



Dexter Gatson

Dexter Gatson is vice-president of the Beta Club and is on the annual staff, the student council, plays varsity basketball, is in the stage band, and is a bus driver. Dexter plans to go to Clemson and study mechanical engineering. He was planning to go north for a job, but now says he'll try to find work here in Fairfield County.

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Michael Squirewell

"My first reaction was tears..."

Walter Brown

# Southern Hospitality Rolled Out for Mack

The coming of Mack Trucks to Winnsboro will bring with it about 120 families from Pennsylvania, a comparative deluge of new neighbors into our area. The Herald-Independent decided to ask some of our residents how they felt this flood of new people would affect Winnsboro and Fairfield County.



**SARAH McMASTER**

Sarah McMaster, Fairfield County librarian, said: "I think it's great! I've not heard anybody say anything negative," she said, adding, "We don't want to lose our small town flavor, but we do want to progress. It appears the County Council and the Chamber of Commerce are pretty organized as far as providing the services they'll need, and things are starting to slip into place. It's going to be an interesting and exciting two years."

Kathy Fritz, curator of the Fairfield County Museum, was equally enthusiastic. "I think it's wonderful," she said. "I think they'll bring with them a new enthusiasm, and I think they'll enjoy living in such a beautiful county, so close to the amenities of a large city, Columbia, yet with the advantages of a small town."



**KATHY FRITZ**



**MIRIAM WOODARD**

Miriam Woodard, county tax collector, was all smiles when asked her views on the impact of hundreds of Pennsylvanians on our community. "I think it's going to be wonderful for the county. It means a lot of opportunity for those around here, as well as those from Pennsylvania. It will keep our citizens here, as well." Reflecting, she added, "I think the county's moving up. I think it's good for the county."

William McCutchen of Russell-McCutchen Funeral Home, can see "nothing but good" for the county,



**WILLIAM McCUTCHEN**

citing the fact that local people will be able to get jobs in the county without having to leave, and that additional people will help the schools, county recreation, the hospital and other facets of life in the county. McCutchen termed the coming of Mack Trucks "a blessing out of the sky, like something has happened overnight." He added, "I hope the people of this county take advantage of this opportunity. The people in this area are ready to work."



**MARY GREEN**

Mary Green of the Fairfield Mental Health Clinic, sees the move on the part of the newcomers-to-be as an "adjustment for these people, from urban Pennsylvania to rural South Carolina. It will cause some adjustment problems for the children," she said, citing different language patterns as the most common of adjustment problems for children. "It will be different for us," she said, saying it will bring "a lot of changes and a lot of new ideas," including possible community additions like "a movie theatre, fast food places, recreation opportunities," and such. She sees such possible changes as especially good for the young people in the county, because, she says, there are presently few opportunities for entertainment at home and added diversions could only help them stay out of trouble.



**KENNY GOODE**

Kenny Goode, attorney, thinks the coming of Mack Trucks will have "overall, a very positive impact. I think it will help all the local businesses, both retail and service providers. I also think it will have a positive impact on the school

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## ✓ Hospitality

system." He points out that Mack Trucks is moving only the "cream of the crop" from Pennsylvania, and the impact of more than 100 such families should have a positive cultural impact on the county. "They're obviously good people," he said, "or they wouldn't bring them down." He added that "I love Fairfield County the way it is, but if it can be improved upon, I think this will be a first step."



**PAUL MEISNER**

Paul Meisner of Western Auto, commented "the local people will definitely have a chance to remain as they are, or to grow with the times and events associated with

population increase. A lot of people are excited about growth potential for their children and grandchildren."

This far-from-random sample of community voices seems to reflect the general mood and feelings of Winnsboro and Fairfield County citizens, and is indicative of the warm welcome our new neighbors and friends will receive upon their arrival.

A new mood has hit Fairfield County, and as neighboring counties cast an envious eye toward us, we will respond with the best of southern hospitality for our new Fairfieldians.

# Who Has Some Changes to Make?

By Faye Johnson

While everyone else has been wondering about the effect Mack Trucks will have on Fairfield County, I've been wondering about the effect Fairfield County will have on Mack Trucks.

Mack will be bringing a hundred or so employees down from Pennsylvania; they must have many questions in their minds as to what awaits them in the South, the Palmetto State, and Fairfield County.

The first thing, I suppose, is that they will have to get used to our accents; that shouldn't take too long for the people in the public relations department. At least one billion reporters from The State newspaper have already called them on the phone. Not to mention WIS-TV and all the others.

They'll also have to make a few minor adjustments, and learn a few basic facts, such as:

You can drive for miles in Fairfield County, and in South Carolina,

without seeing anything other than pine trees and cows. (Pennsylvania has one of the largest populations in the country, and is about 80% urban.)

Three hours will get you to the foothills of the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains, or to the sands of Myrtle Beach. It will also take you to that jewel of the Palmetto State, Charleston. That's pronounced "Chas-ton".

You know how each American is born with an inheritance of one zillion dollars of national debt? Each Fairfieldian inherits at birth 500 deer and ten wild turkeys. Some of us hunt them with guns, others with cars, still others of us just enjoy coming upon them suddenly and admiring their beauty.

We don't indulge in family feuds, shooting up each other's clan at the slightest provocation; these days, we only have time for the Clemson-Carolina rivalry.

In case our Allentowners aren't familiar with the Tigers and the Gamecocks, let me explain: we Clem-

son Tiger fans are the ones who point with pride to a national championship and the "Refrigerator", whom we knew affectionately as Boo Perry when he was playing for Clemson. Gamecock fans are the ones who take pride in 1984, the year Carolina had a winning football season. (Sorry about that, it just snuck in.)

Mack Truck is not the biggest thing to hit Fairfield County. It's in third place to the tornados of 1984, and second to the brouha over moving the Confederate memorial from the middle of Main Street.

We may have more deer in Fairfield County than we have people, but that means we have more breathing space. We also have two excellent lakes with fishing and water skiing; a brand new state park with camping and boating facilities; an excellent little theatre company; a fine museum housed in an historic three-story Federal-style building; a modern, spacious library which sponsors a variety of programs for all ages; a well-funded recreation commission which offers sports

programs, dancing classes, arts and crafts, etc.

And we're steeped in history. Fairfield and its county seat, Winnsboro, just celebrated their 200th birthdays. Lovely old ante-bellum homes dot the county.

Fairfield has produced ambassadors, EPA Director Lee Thomas, a Miss Universe; and movie and television personality Jane Kennedy, currently one of the world's most beautiful women, inherits her looks from her Fairfield ancestors. William Belk, one of the Iran hostages, hails from here, and the reknown financier Bernard Baruch had Fairfield ties.

But, perhaps most importantly, we're just plain good neighbors here in Fairfield. We care about others and we're always ready to lend a helping hand.

Sure, there will be adjustments for the Allentowners coming into our midst, but I think they'll learn to love Fairfield.

And ya'll gonna just love grits!

## Bill McDonald



State Columnist

### Everybody wants a piece of the action

WINNSBORO

The sentimentalist in me has always loved this old town. She stands, a small monument to the glorious past. The allure, I suspect, is also partly what you see and partly what you don't, like that of a beautiful woman who keeps her secrets.

In my boyhood, I used to tell everybody that my hometown could boast of some wondrous things: the oldest continuously running town clock in the United States, a courthouse designed by Robert Mills and, by golly, a Miss Universe.

In those days, a visit here was like a sojourn into the pristine past. No bulldozers rumbling about, clearing land, and the motorists were downright civil.

Now, of course, the days of placid living here are bound to be numbered. Small town is becoming big town. And it's all part of the "boom growth" triggered by the recent arrival of Mack Trucks.

For sheer impact on the changing face of the town, pop. 3,000, there's never been anything like it.

But then, never in history has a truck colossus come to the Fairfield County town.

For instance, one even approached my mother, wanting to buy a vacant lot next to her home as a possible site for homes for the elderly or residential highrises.

— believe the risk is worth taking.

## From a Visitor's Point of View

By Faye Johnson

Would a laid-off Mack Trucks assembly line worker want to move to Fairfield County?

Although she admits to "coming down with a chip on my shoulder", the answer for Pat Farnsler, after visiting Fairfield County last week, is a resounding "Yes!"

Farnsler is among approximately 2,000 workers now idle; the unionized employees work on a seniority system, and Pat's eight years with Mack wasn't enough to keep her from being laid off.

She's optimistic, though, about her chances at being one of the employees Mack brings to Fairfield. She is very pro-Mack, saying the company provided her with a very good life in Allentown. According to Farnsler, Mack employees are looked up to in Allentown.

Farnsler said Mack's older workers were devastated by the news that Mack would close one of its Allentown plants; "they just always thought Mack would be there". Farnsler says one advantage of getting on with Mack at the southern plant

at the beginning would be seniority that could mean never being laid off again.

According to Farnsler, Mack employees think of Southerners as "rednecks", and have a perception of them as being slow and lazy.

Those of the Allentown Mack employees who are hopeful of coming South with the company are also concerned about how they will be received.

Farnsler admits that she came expecting the worse. She intended to scout the Columbia area for possible housing, and didn't consider looking in Fairfield County, which she thought had only about 3,000 people.

She drove down from Pennsylvania, got off the interstate at Hwy. 200 late at night. She said the lay of the land looked pretty desolate until she got into Winnsboro. But, then she stopped at Fast Fare, drove down Congress Street, noted the shops and buildings, saw a modern Winn Dixie, and decided maybe Winnsboro wasn't so bad after all. Unable to get a room in the local motel, she stayed in Columbia overnight. The

next morning, she headed back to Fairfield. "I came to look at Columbia, but something drew me back to Fairfield," she explained.

Lunch last Wednesday at The News and Herald Tavern convinced her that Fairfield folks are alright! She met several natives, and found them to be friendly. Farnsler was impressed with the fact that everyone she met seemed to want her as a neighbor; "I didn't expect to meet with such reasonableness", she exclaimed. She confessed to being pretty much smitten with the county before she left, going back to Allentown.

Farnsler also gave those she met an insight into the life of an assembly line worker. The work is hard, she says, explaining that she has to stand on concrete floors in safety shoes all day, and that the work involves some heavy lifting. She said she had become used to it, though, and rarely gave the conditions a thought.

According to Farnsler, Allentowners enjoy hunting, fishing, going to movies - there are 20 theatres there - bowling, softball, snow skiing,

golfing, arts and crafts, and traveling. They also like to travel, and the attendance at Weight Watchers is high. The area boasts four private colleges, three community colleges, and a number of malls, some comparable to Columbia Mall.

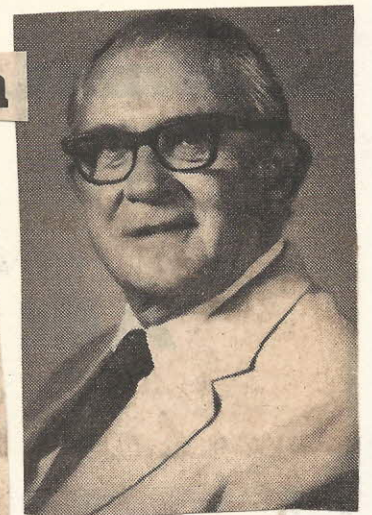
Farnsler adds that she realizes that if enough people move into Fairfield County, many of the amenities the Allentowners take for granted will come here.

Of the people Mack will bring with them, she says: "I feel the people who come will be a credit to any community."

She estimates that they will range in age from 35-40 years. She issued a word of caution, saying that if local land and housing prices are inflated, the Pennsylvanians won't buy. She describes them as people who "are tight, they want real value for their money", and said property values here at present are very comparable to those in Pennsylvania.

As to her feelings about life in Fairfield, she summed it up by saying, "The possibilities here are unlimited!"

## Walter B. Brown

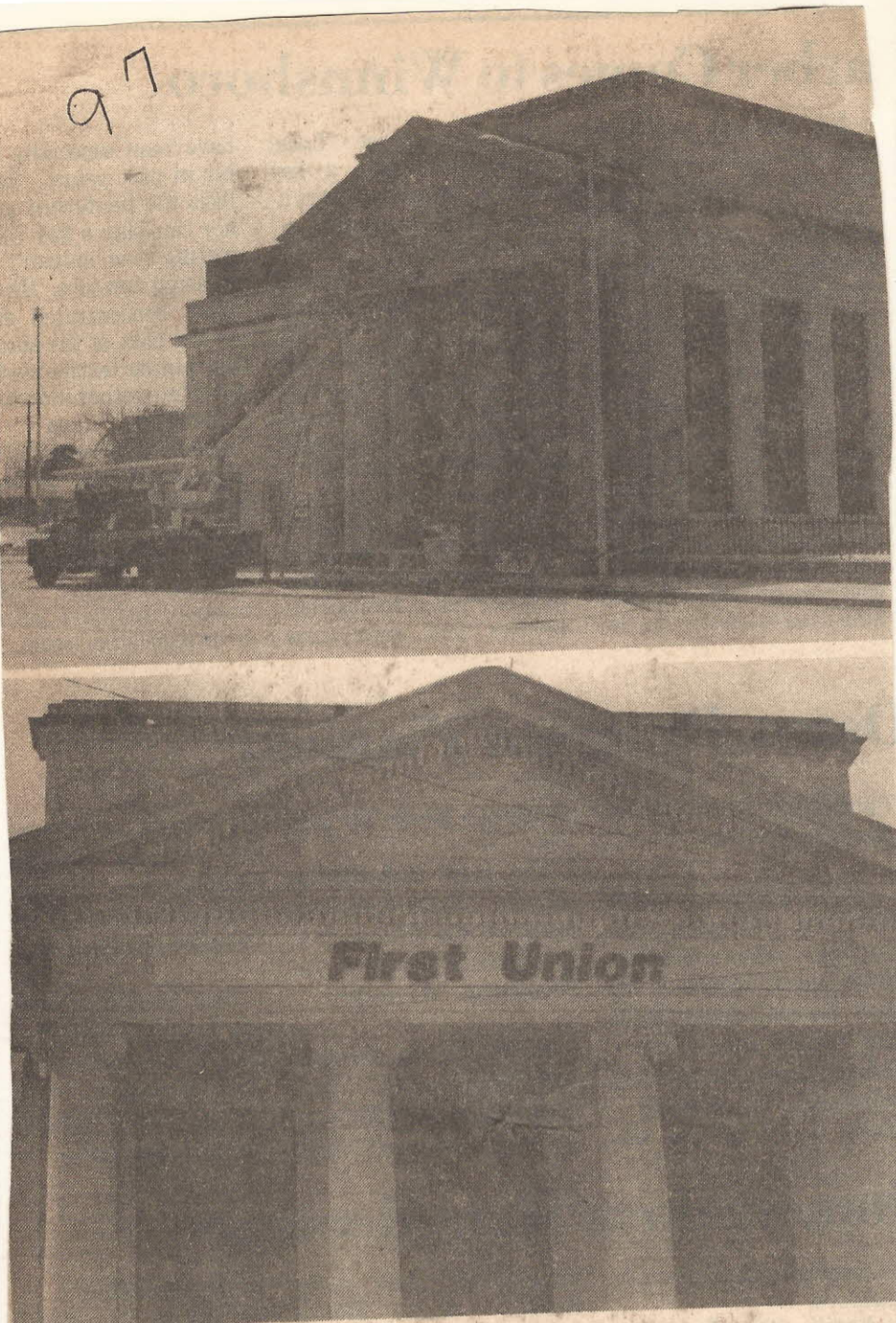


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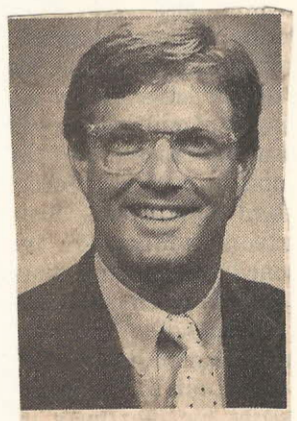


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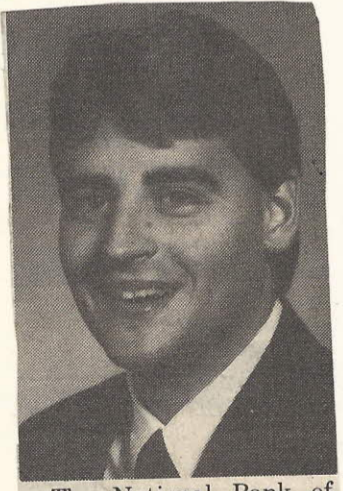
**WHAT'S IN A NAME** — First it was the Winnsboro Bank, then the Merchants and Planters; for a long time now we've called it Southern Bank & Trust. Now it's First Union, but until we get accustomed to the name-change, this Congress Street financial institution will answer to either SB&T or First Union.



Mr. Lucas

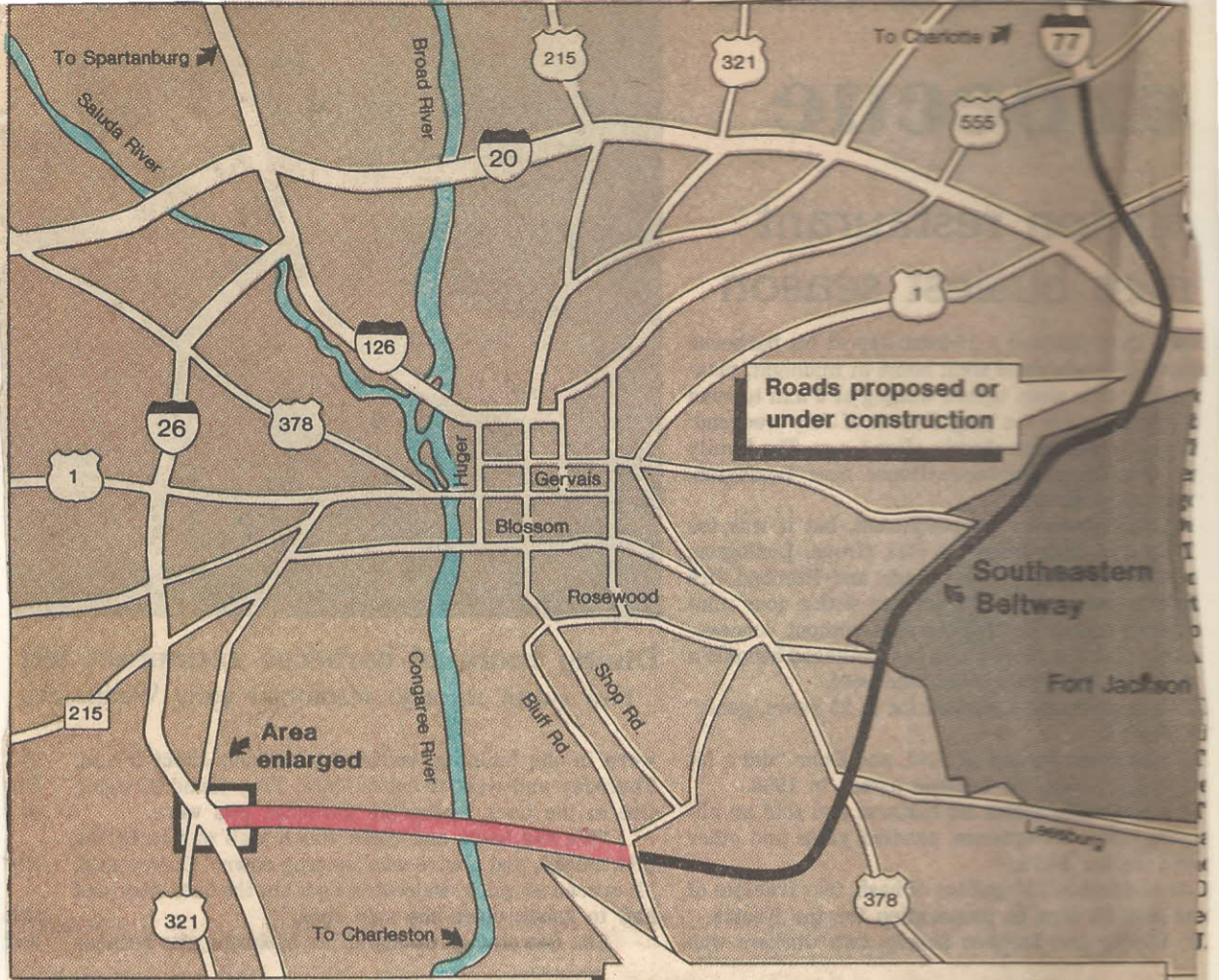
Fairfield native Lee Lucas of Greenville has been promoted to president of Technical Training & Consulting, Inc. (TTC, Inc.) an electronics engineering firm. Lucas was previously vice-president of marketing and operations. TTC, Inc. specializes in computer systems for the fast food industry. TTC, Inc., is a subsidiary of The Harrison Group.

Lucas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Lucas of Rt. 1, Winnsboro, is a 1971 graduate of Winnsboro High School and a 1975 graduate of the University of South Carolina.



The National Bank of South Carolina (NBSC) announces the appointment of George B. Brazell III, as installment loan officer. Brazell is a graduate of the University of South Carolina and serves on the School Improvement Council at Richland Northeast High School. Brazell is married to the former Karen Douglas of Winnsboro.

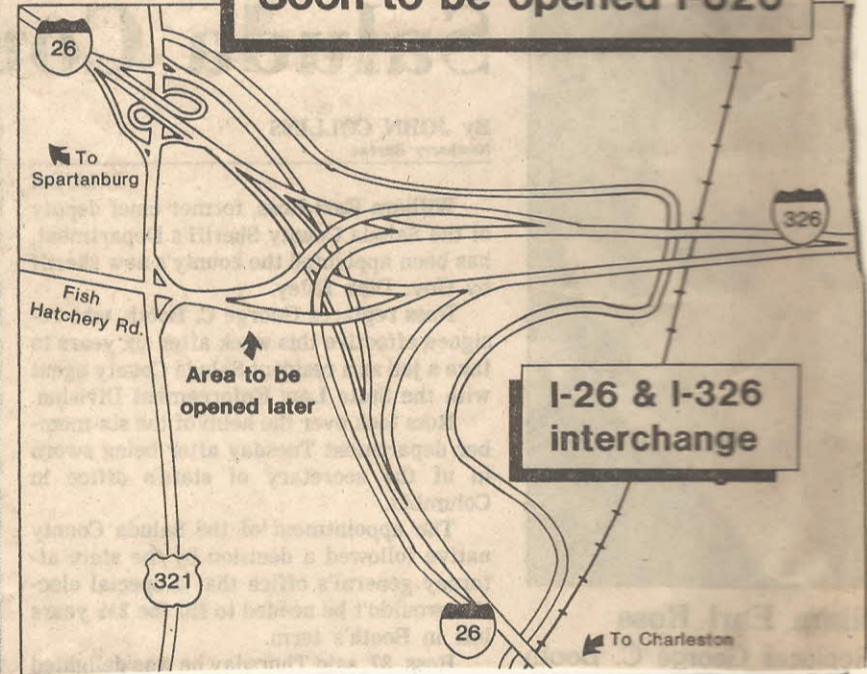
He will be located at the bank's main Columbia office in the NBSC Center, 1400 Main Street. NBSC is the third largest bank headquartered in South Carolina and operates 23 banking offices in 10 cities in the midlands and along the coast of the state.



Soon to be opened I-326

**Facts About I-326**

- 5 miles long.
- 6 lanes wide.
- Has 9 bridges.
- Interchange at I-26 has 5 overpasses.
- Expected completion in August.
- Cost of I-326/I-26 interchange: \$10.6 million.
- Cost of grading and drainage from the Congaree River to Bluff Road: \$10.6 million.
- Total cost: \$66.5 million.



Mr. and Mrs. Roger Stockman wear their crowns as they share a dance alone

Photos by Win McNamee/The State

Frank Bolick plays trumpet with his combo

# Banks Has Made Name for Self in N.C. 98



David Banks

A Fairfield native has made a name for himself in Shelby, North Carolina, as a man who cares about his community.

And Mrs. Florrie Lewis, for whom David Banks did odd jobs as a child, was delighted when her daughter, Ellen Fletcher of Shelby, sent her a copy of *The Shelby Daily Star* in

which an article on David Banks appeared.

The article enumerates Banks' many civic and church associations. A former school teacher who has worked for Pittsburgh Plate Glass for the past 15 years, Banks is involved with the Cleveland County Alcoholism Task Force, the NAACP, Service With A

School, David is at the top of Banks' list of concerns. He is a member of Wardell Chapel School in

AME Zion Church. The son of Ceasar and Susie Gayden Banks of Winnsboro, David Banks says his community spirit is part of his upbringing.

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CEASAR BANKS worked in maintenance with the S.C. Highway Department, and took turns bringing his eleven children, he also delivered groceries and did a variety of odd jobs. Banks said the children worked after school raking leaves and mowing lawns. Although all of the Banks Family members had to work hard, they enjoyed life. David Banks remembers with special fondness July 4th picnics. Celeste Banks works at Uniroyal in Winnsboro, and lives in the family home here.

Banks attended Voorhees College, stayed one year, then went to Philadelphia. He boarded with relatives, worked at Penn State Cigar Company, and enjoyed seeing movies, plays and ballgames.

In 1951, he went into the Army.

Upon leaving service, he

of Ridgeway. Banks have n, Cheryl, 23, and Darryl, eleven Banks he graduated

is a detective in the Greensboro Police Department. Daniel Banks is director of the National Youth Center in Goldsboro. He is a California state dealer.

Banks Mosby school in D.C., and works at Uniroyal in Winnsboro, and lives in the family home here.

David Banks was also a teacher; he taught at Cleveland High in Shelby, and was the first driver education instructor in the county. School integration took him to Shelby High. Then, a part-time summer job at PPG grew into a full time one. Banks says he didn't leave education behind, though; at PPG he still remains involved with education and the schools.



## Still at it — selling feed and seed

Bermain and James Hinson's store once catered only to farmers, now it's the backyard gardener too.

# Old-fashioned business keeps step with the changing times

By RON WENZELL  
State Staff Writer

Hinson's store at the corner of Lady and Lincoln Streets is still in the feed and seed business. But instead of cotton and soybean seed and feed for dairy cattle and poultry, it's primarily lawn seed and pet food.

"We sold mostly dairy and poultry supplies in the forties and fifties, but lately we cater more to city folks who have moved to the suburbs," said Bermain Hinson, who helped found the business in 1944.

Instead of the care and feeding of livestock and chickens, alot of their customers are concerned with keeping Fido and the puppies well fed and having a nice looking lawn.

Hinson and his brother, J. S. Hinson, bought out Bright Stevenson's dairy and poultry supply business at Gervais and Assembly Streets.

J. S. died shortly thereafter and his son, James, became a partner in the business in 1946. He and his uncle have operated it ever since.

They moved the store to its present location in 1960 when the Market Restaurant took over the Assembly Street property.

The building they now occupy was built in 1913, the same year that Bermain Hinson was born. Before the Hinsons moved in the four-story brick structure housed a number of businesses including a flour and coffee blending plant, hardware store and

tire company.

Bermain grew up on a farm in Kershaw, moving to Columbia in 1937. He found a job in a local feed store and later worked as a salesman for the Purina and Quaker Oats companies. James was born in Kershaw, but has lived in Columbia most of his life.

The Hinsons can recall when there were 15 or more local dairies and Richland and Lexington Counties were heavily into farming.

But all that has changed and so has Hinson Feed & Seed.

They haven't sold any cotton seed for 15 years and no longer carry soybeans. They still sell eggs and pullets, but sold their hatchery five years and no longer produce their own.

They stock oats and rye and some dairy and poultry supplies, but the big sellers are pet food and lawn and garden supplies.

The store hours have changed, too.

"It used to be that Saturday was our biggest day," James Hinson said. "That's the day the farmers came to town to buy their supplies."

Suburbanites tend to do their shopping during the week and stay home Saturdays. Consequently, instead of the old six day week — 8 a. m. to 6 p.m. — Hinsons closes its doors at 5:30 o'clock week days and 1 p.m. on Saturday.

While a number of their competitors are no longer around the Hinsons report a brisk trade, especially the last four or five years, and attribute it at least in part to the growing number of backyard gardens.

"More and more folks are planting vegetable gardens and raising a few chickens and that's good for our business," James Hinson said.

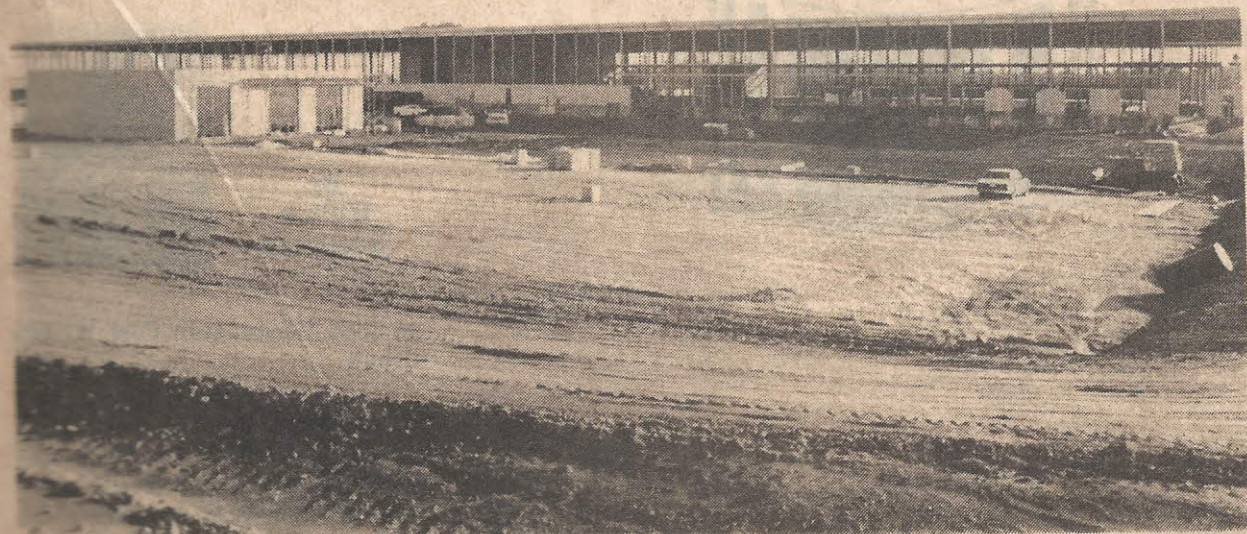
Many of their customers have been doing business with the firm for 40 years and more.

"We still have some of our original customers from the Assembly Street store and some of their children are now shopping with us," said Bermain Hinson. "Folks seem to enjoy coming to our store. Our policy is to treat people the way we like to be treated and that makes for good customer relations."

While the future looks bright there is no one following in the Hinsons' footsteps.

Bermain's only daughter is married and living in Virginia. James has a son who is a certified public accountant in Atlanta and another studying to be a chiropractor. His daughter is married and in Germany with her soldier husband.

"We love what we are doing. It keeps us young and we don't have plans to retire any time soon," Bermain said.



RITE-AID TAKES SHAPE.

# Commemorate Founding of Denomination

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 Hundreds of Associate Reformed Presbyterians and those connected with this denomination will gather at The Old Brick Church in Fairfield County on Sunday afternoon, September 28, at 4 o'clock as they commemorate the founding of this denomination.

Originally known as Little River and later Ebenezer, this sanctuary was built in 1788, but there was a congregation in existence here before the American Revolution. It was here on May 9, 1803, that the Associate Reformed Synod of the Carolinas was organized. From this the present Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church evolved.

Perhaps one of the more interesting facts connected with the building's history is the apology scrawled on the door by one who signed himself "A Yankee" when the left wing of Sherman's army ripped up the floor of

the church in order to make repairs of the bridge across the nearby stream.

The church is located on S.C. 213, four miles east of Jenkinsville and twelve miles southwest of Winnsboro.

This special service will feature Bill McDonald, columnist for The State newspaper. Mr. McDonald is a native of Winnsboro, and he is a descendant of Rev. Laughin McDonald, an early and noted A.R.P. minister.

In addition, greetings will be brought during the service by Judge Monterey Campbell, Moderator of the General Synod, and E. C. McNair, Moderator of Catawba Presbytery. Psalms will be sung in the traditional manner with the Rev. Calvin Smith of Due West serving as precentor. The choir of Centennial Church in Columbia, directed by Dr. James L. Lancaster, will lead congregational singing and offer an anthem.



THE OLD BRICK CHURCH



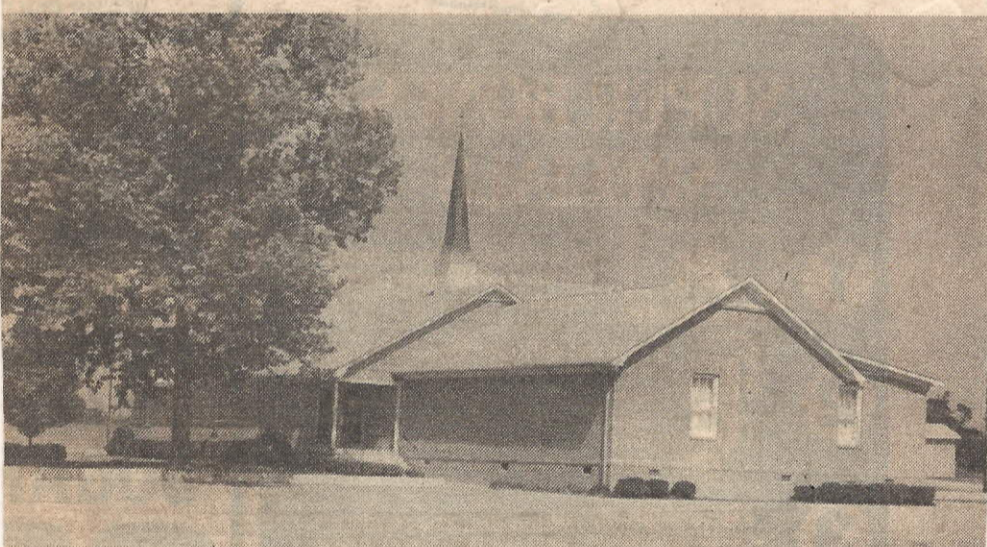
Rev. Blackwelder

## Revival Slated

The Rev. James P. Blackwelder, retired pastor of Stephen Greene Baptist Church, will be the evangelist during a "Good News America, God Loves You" simultaneous Revival at Washington Street Baptist Church. The service

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## New Church Completed

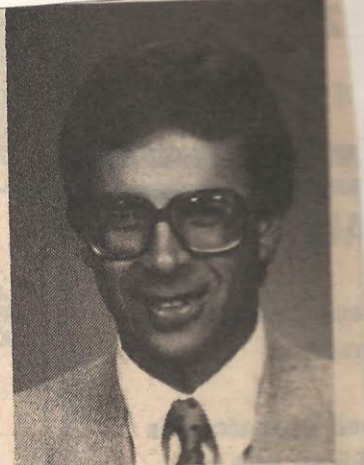


Beginning this Sunday, May 4, the members of the Ridgeway Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints will be attending services in their recently completed new church building. The new church is located at the lower end of Centerville Road near Hwy. 34, six miles east of Ridgeway. Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. Pictured above is the old church at Centerville, and below is the new church. (H-I Photo)



## White Oak ARP Fellowship Hall

The service was led by the Rev. Harold VonNessen, the present minister of the church. He was assisted by the Rev. Archie Reed, who served as part-time pastor at White Oak for the past twelve years. During the service he was presented with an encyclopedia of the Bible by Robert E. Patrick, Jr., on behalf of the congregation.



Van Bruce Robinsor



DEDICATION — Former residents of the Parr community came home again last Wednesday, as a former pastor, the Rev. Dr. George Elias Meetze dedicated the newly restored Parr Lutheran Chapel. No one has lived in the village owned by South Carolina Electric & Gas since the late 'fifties, and the houses on the two residential circles are gone, but those who lived there remember it as "like heaven on earth". The small, picturesque chapel had fallen into disrepair, but has been beautifully restored by SCE&G. The Parr community and its residents will be the subjects of an upcoming feature article. (Photo by Faye Johnson)

# Winnsboro's Finest Add First Female Officer

Winnsboro's newest public safety officer is Robin Branham, who was interviewed on her second day on the job.

Robin has always wanted to be in law enforcement, "something I've always wanted to do," she says, since she was very young.

She is a graduate of Winnsboro High School, and a Winnsboro native.

Her training started immediately. "I've been riding in the cars with the other patrolmen and dispatching a little," she said. In addition, she has been to the firing range on Hudson Street extension and fired her pistol, a .38 caliber Smith and Wesson.

"She did real well," said Director of Public Safety Larry Gainey. "We were real pleased" with her shooting, he added, noting that she had also fired a shotgun while at the range.

Her family and friends are pleased with her decision to go into law enforcement. Her parents are "excited about it and proud of me," she said, adding that her 10-year-old son, Matt, was also really excited and even wanted her to pick him up at his school in the cruiser.

Her familiarity with the town has helped her and will help her even more with her training, according to Gainey, who cites the fact that she

already knows the town and a great many people.

Training in law enforcement procedures is only half the battle, though, because she will also need to be trained in fire suppression tactics and use of fire control equipment, since the Winnsboro Department of Public Safety trains all its personnel in both areas.

Eventually, Robin will go to the S.C. Criminal Justice Academy for training, but due to the number of law enforcement officers signed up to attend the Academy, that is still a year away.

In the meantime, she will train with new instructional materials "just off the press" in addition to her on-the-job training with her fellow public safety officers. The manuals used are designed for reserve officer training and new recruit training and are crammed with information a law enforcement officer needs. Similar materials in fire suppression will be used to train Robin in fire fighting methods, coupled with actual experience.

Robin is the first WPSD officer to use the law enforcement material, and she is paving the way for others hired by the department in the future.



Robin Takes Turn at Dispatcher's Post



Larry Gainey

## Gainey Goes to SLED

Winnsboro Public Safety Department Director Larry Gainey has accepted a position with the S.C. State Law Enforcement Division (SLED).

Gainey, 29, will be working in the Firearms Division of SLED, the division that does ballistics examinations, fingerprint comparisons, and crime scene work.

He will vacate his position with the Town of Winnsboro on July 15 and will begin his new job with SLED on July 17.

Gainey has been affiliated with the Town of Winnsboro's law enforcement branch since 1978. He was made chief of the department in 1983. He has been Director of the Winnsboro Public Safety Department since it was formed from the former police and fire departments.

done a super job, making the WPSD one of the best departments in the state. He'll be hard to replace," he added.

Winnsboro Public Safety Director James E. Burroughs was sworn in by Winnsboro Town Manager L.C. Greene on Tuesday, October 21.

Burroughs, 29, stated that he was thankful and appreciative, and said he would do his best to do his job.

"My only regret is that Carol Phillips was not able to see me sworn in," said Burroughs, referring to his longtime friend who was killed in an auto accident earlier in the month. "She was real supportive of me," he said.

"I want to institute a better working relationship between the Department and the citizens" of Winnsboro, he stated.

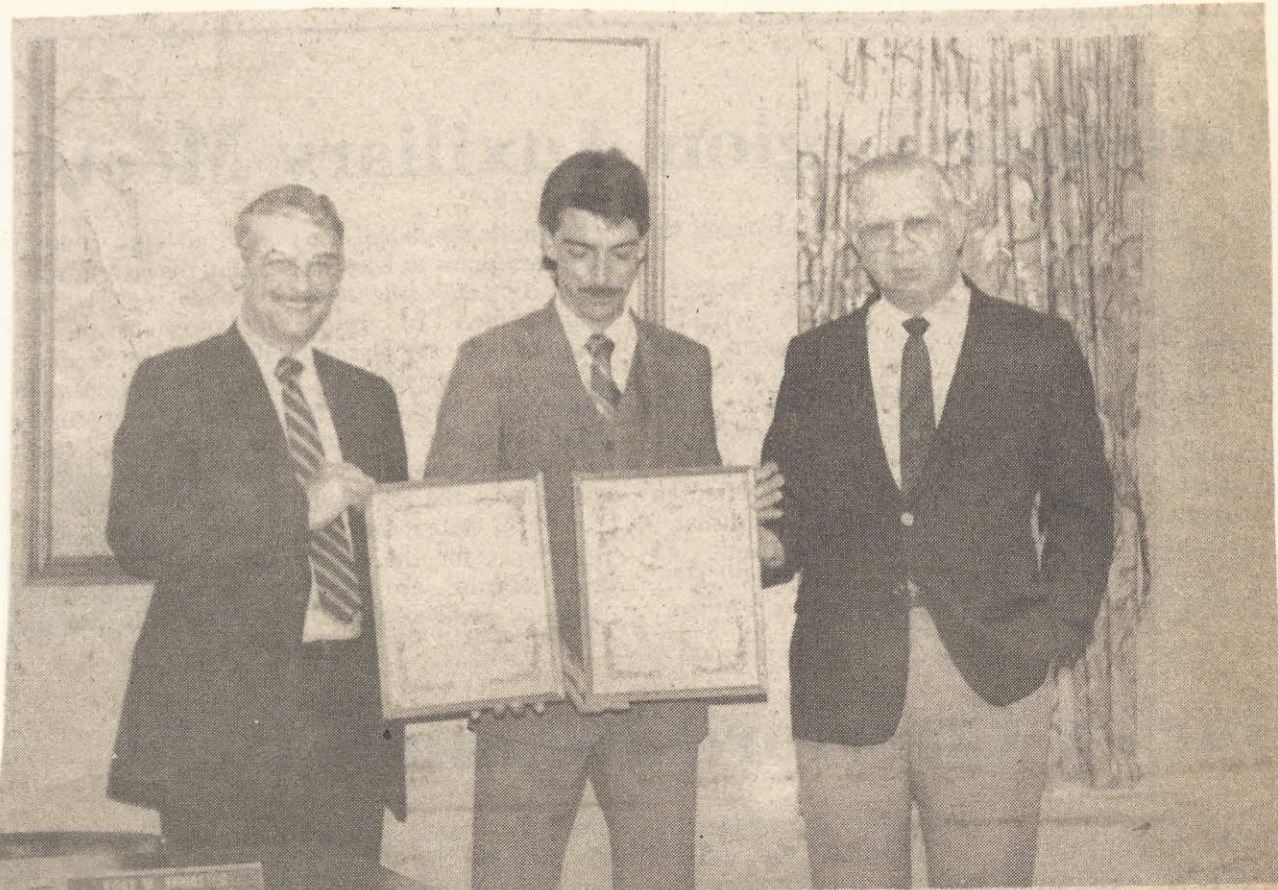
Two areas Burroughs wants to stress with the community are drug awareness and crime prevention, he said.

Burroughs and his wife, Cheri, have a son, James Marion Burroughs, one and one-half years old.



MANAGER GREENE, DIRECTOR BURROUGHS

## Burroughs Sworn



Mayor Pro-Tem Brazell awards a training certificate to Public Safety Department Detective Keith Lewis, center, for completion of two investigations courses at the S.C. Criminal Justice Academy. Town Manager L.C. Greene, right, assists. (Photo by Cathryn Kennedy)

# Carol Hunt Rubbed Shoulders with the Famous

<sup>101</sup> By Mike Avery

Add to the list of Fairfield citizens who have had interesting lives the name of Carol Hunt, who moved to Winnsboro with her husband, Richard, a little over a year ago.

Carol used to rub shoulders with golf pro Arnold Palmer, model Jean Shrimpton, skier Jean-Claude Killy and others in a job she held in New York City in the late 60's and early 70's.

Carol was an executive assistant to the senior vice-president of Arnold Palmer Enterprises, which marketed the Arnold Palmer name on merchandise in the United States and around the world.

According to Mrs. Hunt, many sports figures and other famous persons market their names to be used on sportswear, athletic equipment, and other merchandise and receive royalties for the use of their name.

Her work for Arnold Palmer Enterprises included arranging parties, press conferences, meetings between Arnold Palmer and local dignitaries and photo shooting sessions.

The action was fast-paced and first class, according to Mrs. Hunt, who said she traveled to Florida and Puerto Rico on "shoots" with the

Palmer Company, staying in the best hotels, flying first class and delivered by limo to and from location. Traveling was the most fun, she said.

Arnold Palmer Enterprises successfully marketed the Palmer name to companies that made sweaters, clubs, shoes, tuxedos, socks, golf bags and other items.

Her association with another company, International Management, Inc. brought her in close proximity to other celebrities, doing the same for them as was done for Arnold Palmer.

At one time, she went to upstate New York for a Jean-Claude Killy shoot, when snow was needed for the skier to perform in. She described Killy as "gorgeous."

She says of her days with the firm, "it was a nice learning experience for a young woman," and when asked if she would recommend the New York life to her daughter when she finishes school, replies, "absolutely."

"I'd love to see her go back to New York for a couple of years," she said.

"We had fun," she said of her work, "but we worked hard, too."

It did provide some pleasant memories and some unique experiences for this newcomer to the 'Boro.



CAROL HUNT AT HOME

## Bill McDonald



State Columnist

## All small towns have their pride

WINNSBORO

To most of the visitors here recently, myself included, this was what we all had been waiting for — the ground-breaking ceremonies for the celebrated Mack Trucks plant.

And yet, as my sleepy little home town charged head-long into the 20th century, I couldn't help but think: Hold it, just a doggone minute. This Fairfield County town has been the site for OTHER important things over the years.

It might not seem like much as historic moments go, for instance. But a quarter of a mile from where the plant will be located, Gen. George Patton once bivouacked. The time: The early 1940s. The town was teeming with hundreds of soldiers on "maneuvers."

### Official documentation

The documentation for Patton's visit can be offered by almost any "old-timer." Fact of the matter, in the time frame of history, some of the residents feel as if it happened just yesterday.

"Oh yeah," declared Walter B. Brown, a vice president for Southern Railway and the man generally credited with helping Mack secure the plant site. "I remember being in the drugstore one day when Patton walked in, threw his gloves on top of a glass cigar counter, and his gloves broke the glass. He pulled out a \$5 bill to pay for the damages, but nobody would take it."

Mayor Quay McMaster also recalls the day when, as a youngster, he sneaked into the back of the high school auditorium, which had been converted into a center to critique mock battles between the soldiers. Patton strolled in, sporting a pistol on each hip: "He was immaculately dressed," the mayor recalls, "and his helmet was shiny."

ee. The question of authenticity nagged at my grandfather so that he even did some research on the West Point subject. But his efforts proved fruitless.

### Long ago conclusions

Well, I long ago concluded that every small town takes pride in SOMETHING. A "lust," you might say, for the extraordinary things, particularly as they pertain to it.

The point, of course, is that this predominantly Scotch-Irish town is awfully proud of its heritage. And the arrival of Mack Trucks seems to fit that heritage to a "T."

"It certainly does," one resident quipped. "We have the McMasters, the McLeods, the McCants, the McDowells, the McFaddens and the McDonalds. Now we have the 'Mack Trucks.'"

# Winnsboro Native Hall of Fame Nominee?

By Mike Avery

If Bill Smith of Hwy 213 has his way, his friend and Winnsboro native Gordon "Billy" Glisson is going to be remembered in South Carolina for a long, long time.

Gordon Glisson won a place in history as a top jockey, a position he enjoyed at the tender age of 18.

Born in Winnsboro, he and his brother, Johnny, were raised in what is now South Winnsboro. They attended school here and worked in the area, leaving to join their mother in Washington state in the mid 1940s.

There, the racing bug bit Gordon, and he became an apprentice jockey, immediately winning races in the Seattle area. He moved on to California and his mother and brother followed.

His younger brother, Johnny, also became an apprentice jockey. He and his brother would sometimes ride in the same race, neck and neck, until one beat the other. Competition was keen between them.

In 1949, Gordon Glisson was named America's top rider. He was 18. He was featured on magazine covers and received other honors, even having a movie made about his life in the 1950s, called "Will to Win," made by Warner Brothers. That movie was shown in theatres across the country, including the theatre here in Winnsboro where he once sold popcorn as a youth.

He rode all the famous tracks and met many famous people.

Tragically, his younger brother, Johnny, was killed in a race in which

they were both running. Johnny is buried in Winnsboro, near his father, who died recently.

But what has this to do with Gordon's friend Bill Smith, who is seeking to immortalize Gordon's name?

Bill Smith is trying, with the help of Sen. John Martin, to have Gordon's name added to the S.C. Athletic Hall of Fame. Gordon, who stopped racing shortly after his brother's death, due to a series of painful accidents of his own, still lives in California and is, in Bill's mind, a worthy candidate for the honor.

Bill and the Glisson brothers grew up in the Mill Village together, he said. He remembers to this day, Gordon Glisson visiting Winnsboro at the height of his career in 1949 and the girls that followed him here from California. He also had "the first \$100 bill I ever saw," he said. He also remembers Gordon giving his father a Hudson Hornet for a gift.

Glisson's mother, Mrs. Ray Cline, returned to Winnsboro a few years ago and lives in Hunstanton.

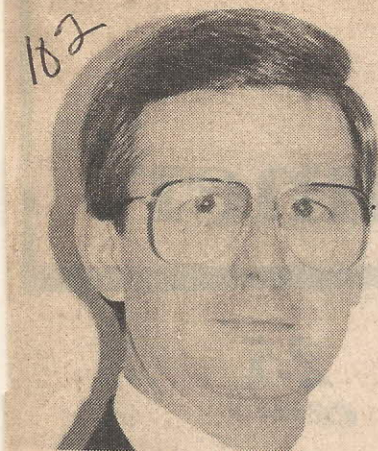
Since Gordon retired from riding, he's had about 28 major operations to relieve pain from injuries he received on the track. He just recently had an operation to deaden pain in his legs.

With a little help from his friend Bill Smith and Sen. John Martin and others, Gordon's achievements will be a record to admire for a long time to come . . . for everybody in the state.





# Brakefield Vice-Chair



Mr. Brakefield

Dr. Juanita S. Scott, representing the City of Columbia, was elected Thursday to the chairmanship of Central Midlands Regional Planning Council, the 37-member council of elected officials and citizens which directs government research and planning activities in Richland, Lexington, Newberry and Fairfield counties. Winnsboro banker M. Stephen Brakefield, representing Fairfield County, was elected vice-chairman.

Dr. Scott succeeds Newberry City Councilman Robert R. Coats, who received a plaque honoring him for outstanding leadership during the council's monthly meeting. Coats will continue to represent the City of Newberry on the regional council.

This marks the second time in the 17-year history of the regional council that a member has been elected to a second term as chairman. Dr. Scott served her first term as chairwoman during the 1980-81 fiscal year. The late William H. Tuller, also of Columbia, chaired Central Midlands for two terms during its

organizational years, 1969-71.

Brakefield, appointed to the Regional Council in 1977 by Fairfield County Council, is currently serving as chairman of the regional advisory committee on economic development and is a member of the loan review committee of the Central Midlands Development Corporation which aids small businesses.

A veteran of 20 years in banking, Brakefield is city executive with First Union National Bank in Winnsboro. Prior to his current position, he served as assistant vice president with the Merchants and Planters Bank in Winnsboro and as assistant cashier and branch manager with the National Bank of Georgia in Atlanta.

A 1966 graduate of the University of South Carolina, Brakefield completed the Graduate School of Banking of the South, Louisiana State University, in 1978; and the National Commercial Lending School at the University of Oklahoma in 1981. Brakefield is a member of the vestry of St. John's Episcopal Church and is a past president of Winnsboro Rotary, the Fairfield County Chamber of Commerce and the United Way of the Midlands for Fairfield County. He currently serves as a member of the board of the Winnsboro Merchants Association and the Town of Winnsboro Community Development Block Grant Loan Review Committee. He is a past chairman of the Winnsboro Town Planning Commission.

He is married to the former Janet L. Ludlow, owner of Propst Ladies' Shop in Winnsboro.



The ladies at Bank of Fairfield show off their new T-shirts, presented to them by the construction company making alterations to the bank building. The shirts

read "Bank with Earl" as well as "Bank of Fairfield" Earl Woodruff is the president of Bank of Fairfield (Photo by Mike Avery)

## Medal Awarded

Second Lieutenant John Michael Bozard, of Winnsboro, has been awarded the Army Achievement Medal for exceptional and distinguished service in the South Carolina Army National Guard.

Bozard was presented the medal by Lieutenant Colonel Gardner during ceremonies on July 13, 1986 at his unit's armory in Lancaster.

Bozard is a member of

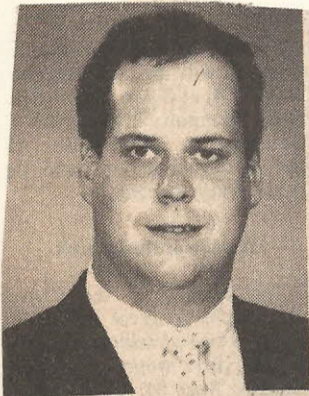
Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 3d Battalion, 178th Field Artillery in Lancaster and is assigned as a Recon/Survey Officer. He joined the Lancaster unit on April 1.

The accompanying award cited him for his meritorious service during the period June 1, 1986 through June 28, 1986.

Bozard is employed at First Citizens Bank as a Branch Manager Trainee.



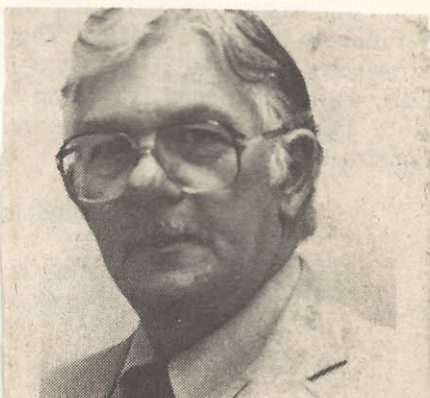
At the Monday meeting of the Fairfield County Council, Edith B. Lyles was given a service award for her work in the Veteran's Affairs Office. The presentation was made by council chairman Coit Washington.



Mr. Ayers

## Joins Staff

The firm of Wilkes and Company, Certified Public Accountants is pleased to announce the addition of Charles M. Ayers as a staff accountant. He is a graduate of Winnsboro High School and Clemson University, where he graduated summa cum laude with a B.S. in Accounting in June, 1986. He successfully completed all parts of the CPA exam in his first attempt and is currently completing his experience requirement to obtain his CPA certificate.



## Postmaster Sworn In

Charles Benton has taken over the reigns as Postmaster at the Winnsboro Post Office.

Benton permanently replaces Dorothy Benton, who was acting Postmaster since the retirement of Bobby Estes.

He has 26 years with the post office in the Columbia area, and was installed Monday, November 17.

He and his wife, Dorothy, have five children, Rholon, Charles R., Mary J., Karen Ann, and Sharon Ann.

"We intend to give the best service we can possibly give," said Benton. "I'm glad to be here, and I'm going to enjoy being your Postmaster," he added.

## Wilkes Honored for 36 Years

Well-known Winnsboro businessman Thomas E. Wilkes was honored last Tuesday, July 26, at a supper attended by some 75 family members, friends, and local officials, for nearly fifty years of volunteer service with the Winnsboro Fire Department.

Winnsboro Town Manager L.C. Green, master of ceremonies for the event, read to those in attendance the inscription of a certificate presented to Mr. Wilkes earlier in the month by the South Carolina Fireman's Association, when he was officially inducted into the state firefighters' Hall of Fame. From its 20,000 members statewide, the association so honors only three firemen annually.

Green also presented Mr. Wilkes, owner and operator of Winnsboro Welding and Wrecker Service since 1964, with a resolution adopted by the Winnsboro Town Council praising him for his 36 years of service to the town as a volunteer fireman. Mr. Wilkes has served as volunteer chief since 1965.

Green also thanked Mr.

Wilkes personally for his advice and constructive criticism, which he (Green) says has helped him tremendously in his three years as town manager. John K. Gillis, superintendent of fire suppression, offered words of praise, adding that he saw Mr. Wilkes "left speechless" for the first time when he was inducted into the Hall of Fame July 12 at Hilton Head.

Acting Director of Public Safety James E. Burroughs told the guest of honor and the audience that the event was definitely not a retirement party, and that he and others with the town hoped to benefit from his experience for years to come.

Also speaking were Bailey Mattox, longtime friend of Mr. Wilkes and retired fire chief of Anderson, and Winnsboro Councilman Richard Burton.

Mr. Wilkes, who was joined at the head table by his children and their spouses, thanked everyone for their kind words, saying he plans to continue assisting the fire department and the town in any way he can.



HONORED — Thomas Wilkes (on right, both photos), longtime Winnsboro volunteer fire chief, was honored last week for his service to the town and its citizens. Winnsboro Town Manager L.C. Greene, top, and Public Safety Director Jimmy Burroughs, bottom, were among those lauding Mr. Wilkes.

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Marie Shields, plant nurse for Uniroyal-Goodrich, accepts an award from Billy Collins, of the American Red Cross, for Uniroyal-Goodrich's participation in Red Cross blood drives. With Ms. Shields are Hattie Varnadore, an eight-gallon donor and Jesse Kee, a 10 gallon, six pint donor. (Photo by Mike Avery).



A CHECK — Ed Mills, Fairfield County Ranger-technician with the S.C. Forestry Commission, presents a check for \$1,239 to Johnny Ray Wilson, chief of the Dutchman Creek Volunteer Fire Department. The title IV Matching Fund Grant Checks are awarded to qualifying rural volunteer fire departments. The money must be matched on a 50-50 basis by the Department and used to purchase needed equipment. The Jenkinsville Volunteer Fire Department qualified for and received a check for \$500 from the S.C. Forestry Commission. Russell White is the chief of the Jenkinsville Department. (Photo by Mike Avery).



RECEIVES RECOGNITION — Rita H. Humphries was presented with a certificate of recognition recently by William R. Duncan, county supervisor for the USDA-Farmers Home Administration. Mrs. Humphries has been employed with Farmers Home in Fairfield County for the past eleven years and takes pride in serving the people of the county. She is married to Lewis Humphries and they have a daughter, Nicki.



COMPLETES 40 YEARS — William E. Rhymer, left, is pictured receiving a gold perpetual motion clock in recognition of his completion of 40 years of service with Uniroyal on March 27. J.L. McCabe, plant manager, made the presentation. Mr. Rhymer is the 217th employee at this location to receive this type of recognition.

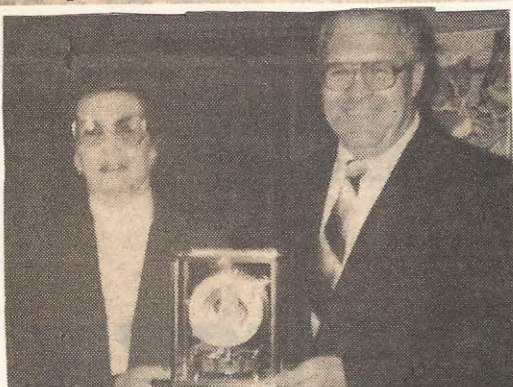
Currently, he is a utility operator in the tire cord twisting department.



Claudia Cathcart



GETS CLOCK — Susie A. Smith was presented with a gold perpetual motion clock by Uniroyal's Winnsboro Plant Manager J.L. McCabe in recognition of her completion of 40 years of service. Mrs. Smith is the 219th employee at this location to receive this type of recognition since the company's plan of service awards began in 1954. She is currently a spinner in the Spinning Department and completed her 40 years of service on April 23, 1986.



COMPLETES 40 YEARS — Mrs. Frances H. Weed, above with Uniroyal Plant Manager J.L. McCabe, has received a gold perpetual motion clock in recognition of 40 years of service with the company, beginning March 10, 1946. She is a winder operator in the Spinning Department.



HONORED — Frank Lewis, left, is pictured receiving a gold perpetual motion clock from J.L. McCabe, plant manager of Uniroyal Goodrich Tire Company's Winnsboro Plant. Mr. Lewis has been with the company 40 years, and is the 222nd person at this location to receive this type of recognition since the long service award plan began in 1954. Presently, Mr. Lewis is the head electrician for the Winnsboro Plant.



ANNETTE DOTY



Charlotte Hinrichs, of Hinrich's Day Care Center: "I work at my day care center and stay indoors with the kids."



GETS GOLD CLOCK — Donald Lee Lucas, above left, receives a gold perpetual motion clock in recognition of his 40 years' service with Uniroyal on March 4. Winnsboro Plant Manager J.L. McCabe presented the clock to Mr. Lucas, the 215th employee at this location to receive this recognition since the company's plan of long service awards began in 1954. Mr. Lucas is a shift supervisor in the Tire Cord Weaving Department.



F. Ray McKenzie is pictured above receiving a gold perpetual motion clock from J. L. McCabe (left), plant manager of Uniroyal Goodrich Tire Co.'s Winnsboro Plant, and from J. W. Freeman (right), controller at the Winnsboro Plant, in recognition of Mr. McKenzie's completion of 40 years of service. Mr. McKenzie has worked in several departments in the plant since his employment in 1946. At the present time he is a cost accountant specialist at the Winnsboro Plant's office.



40 YEARS — William Truesdale is pictured above receiving a gold wristwatch from J.L. McCabe, plant manager of Uniroyal Goodrich Tire Company's Winnsboro Plant, in recognition of his completion of 40 years' service. Truesdale has worked in several positions since his employment in 1946. At the present time he is a section man in the Carding Department.



Mr. Davis

## Promoted by Uniroyal

The Uniroyal-Goodrich Tire Company has promoted William M. Davis to Vice-president/General Manager of its Textile Division headquartered in Winnsboro.

Davis, a 1962 graduate of the University of South Carolina, joined Uniroyal in 1966 and has held various positions in division production management, marketing, and accounting and finance. His most recent assignment was general manager.



Mr. Douglas

## Douglas Announces for Auditor

Fairfield County Auditor Ricky Douglas has announced his candidacy for re-election.

Douglas, 34, has served as county auditor since July 1, 1983. Prior to his election, he was employed by the county tax assessor's office for six years. He attended the University of South Carolina. A son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie B. Douglas of Blackstock, he is a lifelong resident of Fairfield County, now residing in the Lebanon Community. Douglas is a member of the Winnsboro Lions Club, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Ridgeway, and is active in the S.C. Association of Auditors, Treasurers and Tax Collectors.

REUNITED: Raymond Hoover and sister Judy Branham with aunt, Lola Sterling (center).

# Dr. Buchanan Retires From Medical Practice

By Mike Avery

Less than two weeks ago, Dr. John Buchanan, Winnsboro physician, retired after more than five decades of service to humanity.

Dr. Buchanan was the third Buchanan to practice medicine in Winnsboro, preceded by his grandfather and father. Together, the three generations of Buchanans served the medical needs of Winnsboro and Fairfield County for 139 consecutive years.

He received his bachelor of science degree at the University of South Carolina in 1922, then went on to Johns Hopkins to study medicine. He left Johns Hopkins after a year and traveled in Europe, returning to the United States to study medicine at Washington University in St. Louis. He then returned to Johns Hopkins for a short while, before returning to South Carolina to practice in Columbia.

From Columbia, he came back to Winnsboro and set up practice here. He was the company doctor for United States Rubber for 35 years,

and also treated Southern Railroad workers for the area between Columbia and Charlotte. Many was the time, he said, when the Southern train would pull up at the Liberty St. crossing for him to treat a worker. He and his father and his grandfather performed the same services for Southern in an unbroken succession for 60 years.

He is especially proud of his services to the banking community in the county, having served as president and vice-president of the Bank of Ridgeway; served on the board of directors of the Bank of Fairfield, and was the vice-president of Community Federal Savings and Loan.

His honors include recognition for his services to Providence Hospital and Baptist Hospital in Columbia, as well as Fairfield Memorial Hospital.

He points with pride to the accomplishments of his two sons, daughter, and his grandchildren, who have distinguished themselves by their accomplishments. He and his wife, Mary, look forward to a long and happy retirement.



DR. BUCHANAN



William G. (Mutt) Stevenson



# Postmaster Estes Retires After 28 Years Service

On July 3, Winnsboro Postmaster Bobby Lee Estes retired after 28 years service in the Winnsboro post office.

Estes began his employment at the post office as a part-time substitute clerk. He then rose to regular clerk and then on to postmaster. He has served as postmaster for 13 years.

He is married to the former Evon Gartman, and has two daughters, Alison and Lee.

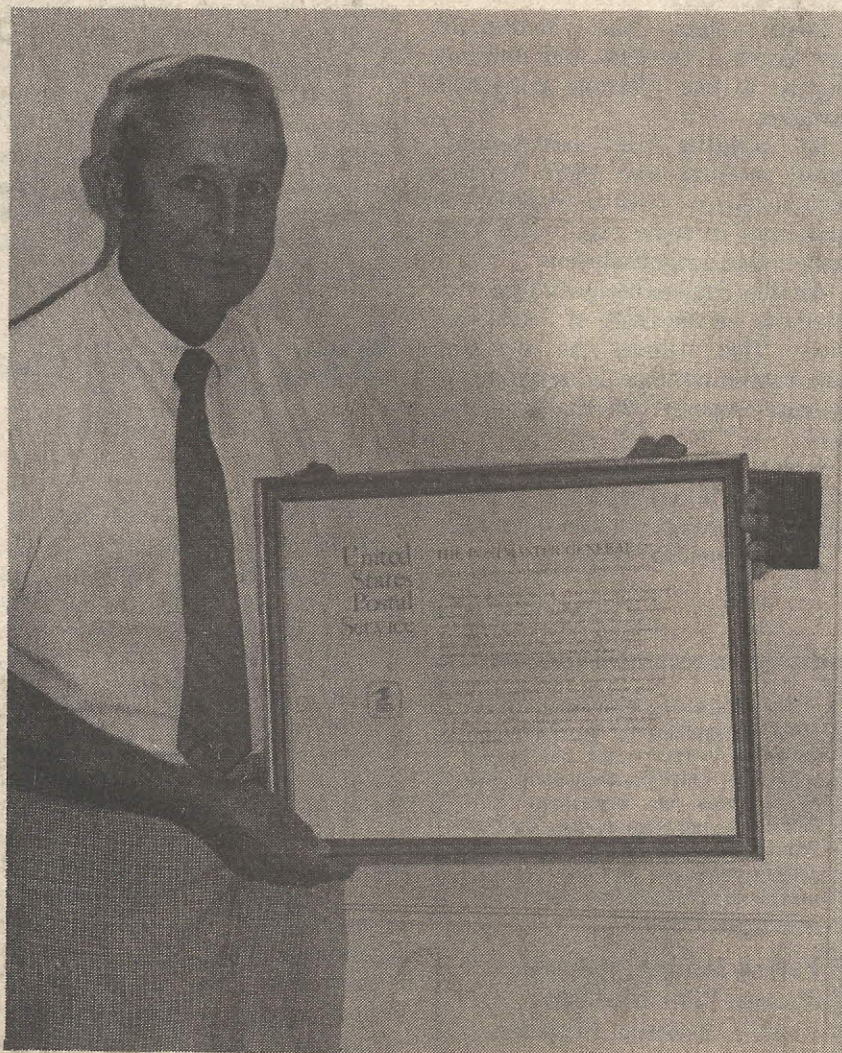
In his time, Estes has seen the Post Office Department become the U.S. Postal Service and has seen changes on the local level as well.

The mail trains that carried mail to Winnsboro from the north and south are gone now, said Estes, and mail now goes to Columbia and comes from Columbia by truck. The rural routes have increased considerably, too, said Estes. He has also seen the number of employees drop, due to a change in the way mail is processed.

"I've enjoyed every minute I've been down here," said Estes. "I don't know anything I'd rather have done than work in a post office.

"They're good people to work for and with," he said.

Estes said he plans to work on his place at Lake Wateree and spend his time "fishing and loafing".



Retiring Postmaster Bobby Lee Estes displays his commission.



Mrs. Benton

## Benton in Charge

Dorothy Benton is the temporary officer in charge at the Winnsboro Post Office following the retirement of Bobby Lee Estes as postmaster.

Mrs. Benton is a native of Blythewood, and has worked at the Columbia post office for 19 years. She supervised the computer forwarding system there.

She is married and has five children and five grandchildren.

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Rotary President Nicholson with Volume

# Rotary Offers Readings

By Mike Avery

The Winnsboro Rotary Club has available, for a donation of \$10, an anthology of the favorite poems, essays and readings of the late Col. Milford Motes.

These bits of literature were collected by Col. Motes during his lifetime, and were selected for this book of readings by his daughter, Becky Motes Dougherty.

Col. Motes was very active in the Winnsboro Rotary Club, and had even served as its president for 1982-1983. Rotary Club members, as well as many members of other civic groups around Fairfield County, are familiar with his readings, which he presented in local programs.

About a year ago, shortly after Col. Motes' death, the Winnsboro Rotary Club began to explore the possibilities of having some of his favorite readings published. According to the Forward in the volume, the club "felt that this would be a good way to honor him and at the same time to make these works available to all who had loved hearing him recite them," said current Rotary Club President John V. Nicholson Jr.

"To honor Colonel Motes, we will donate the first one thousand dollars in net sales of this book to the Rotary Foundation Paul Harris Fellow Program. Any other monies from the sale of this book will go toward other Rotary projects," he continued.

Marshall Milford Motes moved to Winnsboro to teach Everett School seventh graders. It was here, shortly before WW II that he met his wife-to-be, Frances Schmidt. With the outbreak of the war, he joined the Army as an officer and returned to Winnsboro in 1972. In 1973, he was diagnosed as having lympho-sarcoma cancer. He died 12 years later, on October 12, 1985. His wife had died the previous year.

The volume was compiled by Becky Motes Dougherty and illustrated by William Wilson "Bill" Taylor. It was published by Margaret C. Ruff.

It contains over 80 poems and short readings in eight categories on a variety of subjects ranging from

humor and whimsy to faith to positive thinking. It is 58 pages long.

According to past Rotary president Grady Phillips, 400 of the volumes were printed. Phillips said his fellow Rotarians and Motes' daughter, Becky, felt it was better to publish the readings in book form "rather than have them in a box in an attic somewhere."

Margaret and Sidney Ruff and Donna Blenis "did an outstanding job of publishing it," said Phillips, who added that "the quality of the book could not be what it is without the gift of (Bill Taylor's) talent" in doing the artwork.

The \$10 donation for each volume is tax deductible, said Phillips. An additional \$1 per volume must be allowed for mailing a volume, if needed, for postage and handling.

Phillips said the published volume will accomplish three things. First, the initial proceeds will go to the Rotary Foundation Paul Harris Fellow Program; second, it will memorialize the late Col. Motes; and third, it will provide the community with some enjoyable literary works it had come to know and love, through Col. Motes' readings while he was alive.

The Rotary Foundation sponsors a number of programs on the international level in addition to their service to community and state.

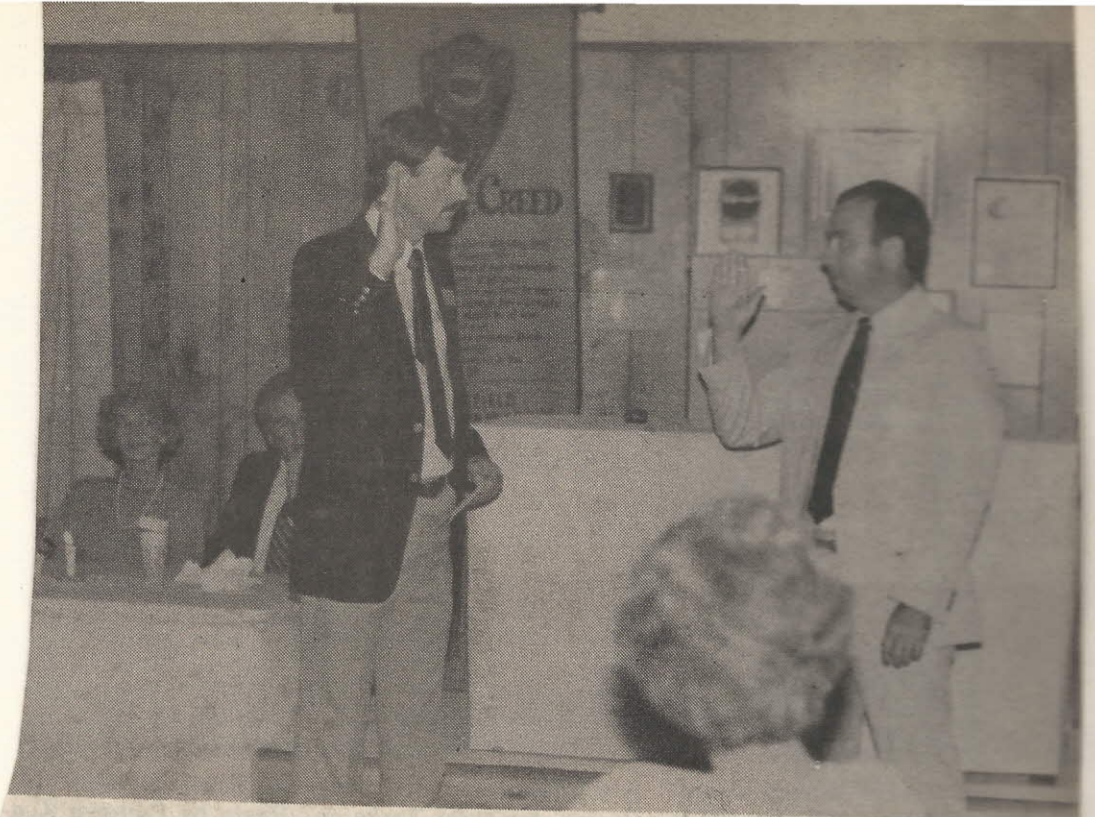
The Rotary Foundation Scholarships program this year sent scholars from 73 countries to study in 63 countries at a cost of \$14.9 million.

The Group Study Exchange program both sends and receives students on an exchange basis from a few months to a year.

The Health, Hunger and Humanity programs help to improve the physical well-being of people.

POLIOPLUS is a program to immunize the world's children against the effects of polio and eliminate this disease from the world.

The volume, "Selected Readings," may be obtained through any Rotary Club member or at Propst's, Lady Fairfield, the Ivy Shop, printer Margaret Ruff, or Phillips Granite Company.



South Carolina State Jaycee President Jim Jumper swears in Danny Caldwell as president of the Fairfield Jaycees. (Photo by Kristi Godwin)



THIRD GENERATION — Steve Stephenson, right, is the third generation of his family to become a member of the Winnsboro Lions' Club. Father Jim Stephenson III, and grandfather J.W. Stephenson were both members. Here, Steve discusses the day's event with longtime friend, Forest Hughes. (H-I Photo)



During a weekly safety meeting, Ridgeway Postmaster Bobby R. Peake presented Samuel L. Dixon with an expert driver's certificate and a 25-year lapel pin from the National Safety Council and the U.S. Post Office. The certificate and pin commemorate Dixon's 25 years of safe driving as a postal employee. (Photo by Cathryn Kennedy)



Fairfield County Treasurer George R. Lauderdale



Winnsboro Garden Club recently presented a bird bath to the Fairfield County Library. The Club also keeps up a bird feeder at the Library. Pictured above at the presentation are Head Librarian Sarah McMaster; Lou Ann Coleman, president of the Winnsboro Garden Club; and Martha Ladd and Beth Gaddy. (H-I Photo)



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**Collins  
in Print**

By Bill McDonald

**Mothers must  
cope with life's  
bitter traumas**

WINNSBORO

I've always cared deeply for my mother. But I don't think that I really appreciated her fully until I was out of college, on my own, and miles away from home.

Mother was the disciplinarian in the family, able to administer a hairbrush with ease. She had to. Dad had neither the heart — nor the inclination — to raise a hand and spank our backsides.

So the lot of keeping order fell to her.

"I could paint the living room purple," she often said, "and your daddy would come home, read his newspaper and never notice a thing."

She had three sons and one daughter, and she loved us all. But there was the usual bickering and sibling rivalry, and by no means was everything peaches and cream.

**Might-have-beens**

Well, I don't think that I really knew what Mother was made of, what made her tick, until I saw how she faced adversity — something she's had to do so many times.

If she could have had her might-have-beens, of course, things would have been different.

In what seems such a short time, she's had to bury a husband, four brothers, a younger sister and, last week, the most devastating burial of all, that of her oldest son, Tom.

The experience is something she had not counted on in life. These things happen to OTHER people. Taken at a gulp, their impact is awesome. Somehow you're never the same again. You expect to bury your parents, but never your "future."

And yet, nature is an amazing thing. Along with its devastations, nature also heals. The great healer is time.

Time.

But at first, how slowly it passes.

Yet you handle it, one day at a time. You handle it within the framework of your own values and strengths.

**Gaslights and buggies**

In thinking about the things that have molded my mother, I think about how she came from a world that I never knew: the era of gaslights, horses and buggies and farm living.

She learned to read before the age of 6, skipped over the first grade, and, incredible as it now seems, she was teaching in high school at the age of 18.

I even get letters from her former pupils, telling me what a marvelous teacher she was, a motivator who set high standards.

One former pupil, a Ph.D. with an administrative position at a prestigious Southern university, once wrote me, saying, "Having your mother for a teacher was one of the highlights of my life."

handle life's horrors, he must have had mothers like her in mind.

Purvis W. Collins of Winnsboro was the recent subject of an article in *Pension World* magazine. Collins is director of the South Carolina Retirement Systems, and a former Fairfield County educator and legislator.

The article stated that Collins has served as director of the retirement systems since 1972, and is responsible for the state's health and dental programs.

In the past four years, Collins has served as chairman of the National Coordinating Council on Public Retirement, president of the National Council on Teacher Retirement, and president of the National Association of State Retirement Administrators.

Collins, according to the article, has "provided balanced leadership in pension policy, leading to a benefits structure which recognizes the economic needs of the covered group and yet, by Constitutional provision, requires that the legislature act in a financially responsible manner".

South Carolina has been one of the leaders in the field of pre-retirement counselling programs, and Collins' agency has hosted meetings of the National Pre-Retirement Educational Conference.



**Clara V.  
Robinson**

**Patrick Hits Videotape**

Priscilla Patrick, host-instructor of two yoga series on television, has produced a videocassette version of her exercise routines which is now available.

The one hour and 47 minute cassette—entitled "Take a Break! Relax, Refresh, Rejuvenate with Priscilla Patrick"—includes basic yoga breathing techniques, warm-ups and three complete routines suitable for beginners or more advanced yoga students. "My exercises are designed for the average American of any age or condition," Patrick says, "and they can work for anybody." As she told a reporter for a recent "New York Times Magazine" story, "Practicing yoga doesn't mean that you've got to go to India and sit on a mountaintop and chant. It's just a very logical way of getting to know your body."

Patrick explains that she has taught yoga stretching and limbering exercises to football players and runners as well as senior citizens and corporate executives. Her routines emphasize deep breathing to increase lung capacity; gentle stretching, twisting and bending to improve flexibility, strengthen muscles and loosen joints; and relaxation techniques to counteract stress.

In line with recent medical studies which have favored low-intensity exercise programs as a means to cardiovascular fitness, Patrick adds that yoga has elements of both isotonic and aerobic exercise. "And it's safe," she says. "I caution my students to work within the limits of their own bodies, coaxing rather than forcing. If it hurts, you're doing something wrong."

A long-time physical fitness advocate, Priscilla Patrick began her television career while her husband was stationed in Okinawa, teaching fast-pace exercise routines on the Armed Forces Radio & Television

Services Far East Network in the day before aerobics became fashionable. After reluctantly agreeing to attend yoga classes with a friend, she was "converted" to this less frenetic approach to fitness and has been a yoga advocate for more than 15 years.

Her first yoga instruction series, TO LIFE! YOGA WITH PRISCILLA PATRICK, has been running on public television stations across the country since 1980. Patrick's second series, STRETCH WITH PRISCILLA, was a staple in Cable Health/Lifetime Network's round-the-clock program schedule for several years and is currently airing in Canada. Both series were produced by the South Carolina Educational Television Network, which is located in Columbia, S.C. a few blocks from Patrick's Yoga 1 studio. She was, for several years, the resident yoga instructor on WIS-TV, the local NBC affiliate station which produced her new video.

Patrick's videocassette will surprise fitness fans who are used to the elaborate sets, non-stop music and flashy costumes encountered on many exercise cassettes. The set for "Take a Break" is bare; aside from a little piano music at the beginning, the only sound viewers hear is Priscilla Patrick's voice. "I want my students to relax and focus on improving their bodies," she explains. "That's what yoga is all about."

"Take a Break" is available on VHS or Beta for \$39.95 plus \$2.00 shipping and handling from: Priscilla's Video, 3128 Carlisle Street, Columbia, S.C. 29205.

Patrick's yoga instruction is also available in an audiocassette package and in her book, "To Life! Yoga with Priscilla Patrick." Information on both can be obtained by writing: S.C. ETV, Priscilla Patrick, P. O. Drawer L, Columbia, S.C. 29250.



Ms. Patrick



FEVER — The ladies at the Fairfield County Health Department have caught "quilt fever" and have made a friendship sampler. Quilters shown, are, left to right, Estelle Martin, Patty Baughman, Carolyn Gillis, Nancy Burley, Donna Bone, Charlene Gunter

and Frances Steck. Not shown, but participating, are Marilyn Grey, Debra Massey, Linda Brown, Gale Adams, and Wanda Rhymer. One of the quilters will take the quilt home after they draw for it.

# FMH Takes Steps to Improve Services

(ED. Note: The following news release has been contributed by Fairfield Memorial Hospital.)

"Fairfield Memorial Hospital is taking another step to improve the services it can offer the people of Fairfield County. As part of those efforts, officials have signed an agreement with Richland Memorial Hospital of Columbia to provide management services.

"According to the contract, RMH will provide a full time, qualified administrator for FMH. But that will be their only involvement in the management process. FMH, acting through its board of trustees, will retain full responsibility over the assets, management, policy and operation of the 50-bed hospital.

"C.B. (Chuck) Chapman, who has been serving as an associate in administration since 1978 and who has been with RMH for 22 years, will be the new administrator at FMH, according to William L. Ivey, Richland president.

"Chapman sees the new position as a great opportunity to reach out and help improve healthcare in Fairfield County.

"Ivey says the contract is merely an expansion of prior agreements with FMH that has helped provide assistance in areas such as medical records, engineering consultation, human resources, and personnel services. It will now include evaluation and recommendations in all areas of hospital management.

"FMH Board Chairman John Harrison says these services have

helped provide the residents of Fairfield with a higher quality of medical care than would have been available otherwise. He cites the work of RMH residents who staff the FMH emergency room at night and on weekends as one valuable service it would have been difficult for FMH's own limited medical staff to provide.

"As far as the management agreement is concerned, Harrison added that it will enable Fairfield to benefit from a whole spectrum of hospital operations while allowing it to remain an entirely separate entity. 'It is an affiliation, not a merger', he said. 'When our former administrator resigned, we felt this would be a more beneficial working arrangement than just hiring a new one. It gave us an administrator who is highly recommended. Richland's confidence in recommending gives us confidence in his performance.'

"When deciding what to do about replacing the administrator, FMH officials considered the possibility of the hospital being purchased by a for-profit organization and wanted to avoid that arrangement. 'Having the hospital completely under county control is to our advantage,' Harrison said. 'As long as the community maintains control, we will always have more options as far as services, costs and policies are concerned.'

"Harrison said that he's looking forward to the management agreement with Richland and feels it is in the best interest of both hospitals and especially the people of Fairfield County."

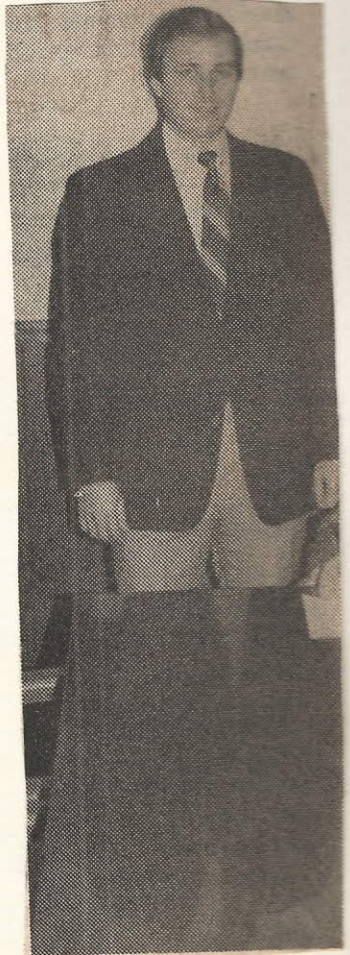


Richland Memorial Hospital President William L. Ivey, standing at left; new FMH Administrator Chuck Chapman, right; and, seated, Don E. Taylor, chairman of the RMH board; and John Harrison, FMH board chairman, sign management agreement. (Photo by Kristi Godwin)

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EOM -- Fairfield Memorial Hospital employee Sherlene Brown, who has worked in the business office for two years, was named the FMH Employee of the Month for October. She is married and has one daughter, Heather.



Dr. Phil Wilkins



**YOUNG CAREERIST** — On March 15, Ms. Sonya R. Branham, head nurse at Fairfield Memorial Hospital, represented the Winnsboro Business and Professional Women's Club at the District II 1986 Young Career Women Speak-Off in Camden. Upon winning first place at the district level, Sonya will advance to the State Young Career Woman Speak-Off at the B&PW State Convention to be held May 16-18 in Columbia. Seven districts will be represented. District II consists of Fairfield, Kershaw, York, Chester, and Cherokee counties. Sonya is the daughter of Bettie R. Branham.



Winnsboro Garden Club members Gwen Harden and Lou Ann Coleman, right, present a special pumpkin to Anne Forest and Peggy Allen, RNs, left, at Fairfield Memorial Hospital, in observance of the season. The pumpkin is meant for the enjoyment of the nursing staff and the patients at FMH. Gwen and Lou Ann also dropped off pumpkins at the Fairfield County library and the Fairfield Development Center. (Photo by Mike Avery)

Fairfield Rescue Squad Lt. Barkley Ramsey receives the Volunteer of the Year Award from Rescue Squad Capt. Wayne Yates at a recent dinner. Ramsey has been with the Rescue Squad five years and is 23 years old. He works fulltime for Fairfield Emergency Services and is also chief of the Lebanon Volunteer Fire Department. The Volunteer of the Year Award is voted by the members of the squad. (Photo by Mike Avery).



# Labor Day Was Not a Holiday for Everyone in Winnsboro

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Doris Reese spent Labor Day at her station at the A&P.

By Mike Avery

Labor Day was designed to give the working man a day off in recognition of his efforts in making the world go 'round. The working man, it was reasoned, was responsible for the economic health of the country because of his labors, and was entitled to some recognition of that fact. Hence, Labor Day was born.

In the United States, Labor Day marks the end of summer. Perhaps not the end of summer by the calendar, but the end of the summer vacation period, nonetheless. In South Carolina, it is the time when the room rates go down at Myrtle Beach and is also roughly the same time as the first football games at local schools.

A short drive around town, however, will show the observer very quickly that not everyone is off Labor Day. It has become a favorite time for merchants to have sales, and in addition, most service-related businesses are open, too.

A short survey revealed the feelings of some of those working on Labor Day; a day, to them, like any other.

Harry Young, manager of the Winn Dixie supermarket, said his organization observed Labor Day by letting the fulltime people off and letting the part-timers work. He ran his store Labor Day with six cashiers and two bag boys, four more on the floor and one in the meat counter. It was a "regular Monday" according to Young, who said the store was doing "about the same amount of business" as it always does on a Monday.

Bubba Stevenson, at the Congress

Street Exxon station, called it "just another day" and "just an average Monday". He was philosophical about his working on Labor Day, saying "somebody's got to do it". He noted that it was a "pretty average day" for sales, although he was "staying fairly busy".

Amy Rhymer, of Cato, worked from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Labor Day. Cato was working with a reduced staff. Amy said she and her co-workers were staying busy. "It's really busy...it's steady", she said.

Lamar Hewitt of the Winnsboro Public Safety Department, was on the desk Labor Day, and remarked that the day had been a busy one. The WPSD had three officers on the street, and things had been "a little bit busier" than normal.

Ethel Burrell, receptionist at Fairfield Memorial Hospital, worked from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. She remarked that the day, for her, had been "kinda quiet". Beth Floyd, FMH emergency room clerk, said the ER had 13 cases on her shift so far Labor Day. She said there were "more patients because the doctors' offices are closed". She said "we're hoping it's going to be a quiet night".

Doris Reese of A&P said, "it's been a good day," adding, "everybody's been friendly".

More people worked in Winnsboro over the Labor Day than one may expect. Fast food restaurants, gas stations, convenience stores, and other merchants were open to take advantage of the day's customers. For many in Winnsboro, Labor Day was not a holiday at all, but just another Monday.

A Monday that marked the end of summer.

## Rescue Squad Still Adds to Emergency Rescue Capabilities

By Mike Avery

The Fairfield County Rescue Squad has come a long way since it was chartered in 1968.

Although it has always provided professional rescue services, changes in personnel and equipment added to its rescue capabilities.

Eighteen years ago, equipment like the "Jaws of Life" was not available. Neither was there any such thing as paramedics or emergency medical technicians.

Today, the Rescue Squad sports five paramedics, persons who can give extensive medical treatment at the scene of a disaster, and three EMTs and 17 EMTs, specially trained persons who can also give medical treatment at the scene. Rescue technicians make up the balance of the Rescue Squad rolls, bringing the number of rescue squad members to 45. Rescue technicians are specially trained with the extrication equipment used to pry victims out of wrecked vehicles, or trained in other techniques, such as dragging for drowning victims.

The Rescue Squad schedule has been a hectic one. Last year, they were on standby to back up Fairfield Memorial Hospital's Emergency Medical Service 84 times. They performed 46 transports; were at the scene of 20 vehicle wreck entrapments; assisted other departments like the Sheriff, Civil Defense, and the fire departments 11 times; assisted the coroner's office 43 times;

and had other calls to total 290 calls last year alone.

This year, as of July 16, the Rescue Squad has already answered 169 calls!

"Our biggest problem is training," said Rescue Squad Captain Wayne Yates. "We have to go outside the county" for the specialized training the paramedics, EMTs and EMTIs need, as well as for the rescue technicians. The cost of training is second only to the cost of equipment when it comes to Rescue Squad expenditures, he said.

An EMT course costs \$120, and recertification cost \$60 every three years. EMTI training costs \$150 and recertification costs \$100 every three years. Paramedic training costs about \$1,000 with refresher courses costing \$75. All emergency medical personnel have to be certified by the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC).

They waste no time in spreading training around. "We cross train all members with EMS, the fire service, and law enforcement (mostly concerning the legalities of the job).

"We cover the whole county, day or night," said Yates. "We can respond within seconds when the call comes in.

"We do a lot of coordinating with EMS," he said. "At an accident scene we work with EMS and the fire department. We train together on the entrapment of victims."

Dr. Harmon Patrick is the Rescue Squad Medical Control Officer. He makes sure the paramedics, EMTs

and EMTIs perform procedures according to guidelines for emergency health care.

A paging system enables members of the Rescue Squad to be notified within seconds of a call-in to the countywide emergency number, 635-5511. The paging system is a new addition to the unit, and has increased response time.

The Squad has three main vehicles: an up-to-date modular ambulance; a 4-wheel-drive Suburban; and the crash truck, a step van that carries rescue equipment. In addition, the Squad has a 1951 Willis Jeep and five boats.

The Rescue Squad is funded through the United Way, Fairfield County Council, and for the first time this year, the Town of Winnsboro. They are also involved in fundraising programs such as raffles, bake sales, barbecues, and similar projects.

On July 26, the Squad will hold its second annual training session at Lake Wateree. The session will emphasize dragging techniques for drowning victims. It will be preceded by a family outing and picnic. This gives the families of the Squad members a chance to see how the Squad operates, said Yates.

The Rescue Squad faces it 18th year with a full schedule of obligations. With continued good training and community support, it will continue a tradition of good service.



Ethel Burrell and Beth Floyd observed Labor Day at FMH.

# Martha Spent Her Vacation Working for the Church in Mexico

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By Becky Wooten

Most people with a week of vacation rarely spend it boiling water for a workmen's crew in Mexico. But then, not everybody is like Martha Renwick of Winnsboro.

In late February Mrs. Erwin Renwick joined six men and three women hailing from various cities across the state and traveled to San Luis Potosi, Mexico, to work for a week in constructing parts of an Associate Reformed Presbyterian Youth Camp.

Her decision to volunteer this time to this project came after her husband had heard about the program at a deacon's meeting. Convinced his wife had the "right stuff", he encouraged her to go, assuring her that their three children would be fed and that Renwick's store on Congress Street wouldn't close down if she went.

After her many rewarding experiences during the week in Mexico, she is sure she made the right decision.

"Mexico, a country of 80 million people, has 40% of its population under the age of 15. Since 93% of the population is unchurched with no religious affiliation, the ARP denomination chose to build this Youth Camp to help minister to the large segment of youth in the country," explained Martha.

While Camp Maranatha, where she was sent, is fairly well established and maintained, her group was assigned to complete renovation and construction of the boys' and girls' dorms. The summer is the season when the camp is most used and the "volunteer missionary tech team" wanted to have the dorms completed before the busy season began.

"I went ready to roll up my sleeves, mix cement, and lay brick," she confessed, "but the Mexican standards for women are not like the American ones. Only the men were allowed to do the hard, physical labor. The women were given the kitchen detail."

Mrs. Renwick's week in the Rio Verde mountains was spent boiling many pots of water. Since all of the water for drinking, cooking, and washing dishes must be boiled, the kitchen crew was up early each morning to begin the ritual.

The foods, which the crew purchased at the market daily, had to be soaked for 20 minutes in iodine water to kill any impurities. Mrs. Renwick not only boiled, soaked, and washed, but also cooked three meals a day for the hungry crews.

"The grocery store in this town of 75,000 was about the size of Porter's Grocery with not nearly the variety," she commented, "everything was sold fresh at the town market."

"We must have done the soaking and preparation correctly because no one on our team got sick," Mrs. Renwick noted.

Her entire week was not spent solely behind an aluminum pot. One day Mrs. Renwick ventured into the town with her sketchpad and water colors. By setting up with paints and pads, she attracted an audience of the townspeople.

"I paint only moderately," she modestly admits, "but doing this gave me a bridge for the language barrier and I had taken tracts with me that were written in Spanish. Hopefully, I planted a seed that will come to harvest."

Mrs. Renwick had a chance to attend one of the two ARP churches in Rio Verde the first day she was in

town. It wasn't long before she realized that there were more differences in the Mexican church than just the language spoken.

She sat for two and a half hours on a hard, sloping bench as the missionary helped translate the sermon into English for the Americans assembled.

She attended a circle meeting and gave the women of the Spanish ARP church a program on flowers of the Bible. They helped her sort out the clothes Mrs. Renwick had packed to give to the Wasteca Indians.

"The last night we were there we dined in a Mexican restaurant in town," she said. That was about the same time all my Absorbine, Jr. had run out from its constant use on the tired and aching muscles of the men."

Despite those tired, aching muscles, the volunteer missionary crew completed all that they had intended to do. They cleaned out existing trenches and dug others to pull out 3,000 feet of wire with the help of a mule. They took bracing out of the cabin and finished everything necessary so that the next team could pour the roof.

"The whole team had begun to sing a song called 'A Merry Heart Doeth Good Like A Medicine' because it expressed our feeling that we were doing what the Lord wanted us to be doing," she explained.

According to Martha Renwick, the group felt that many things had gone their way in order to accomplish the goals they had when they came.

"For instance, we made it through customs with a 7.5kw generator in the duffle bag and no one checked it. The group ahead of us was checked and the group after us was checked, but our bag wasn't," she observed. No one lost luggage, no snags in the

travel, and we all got home safely to families ready for our return," she said.

Her many experiences in these mountains were captured in a slide presentation she gave to her home church, Bethel ARP, several weeks ago. In the program, Mrs. Renwick asked her friends to continue sup-

porting these kinds of missions through prayer, money, and volunteering to go.

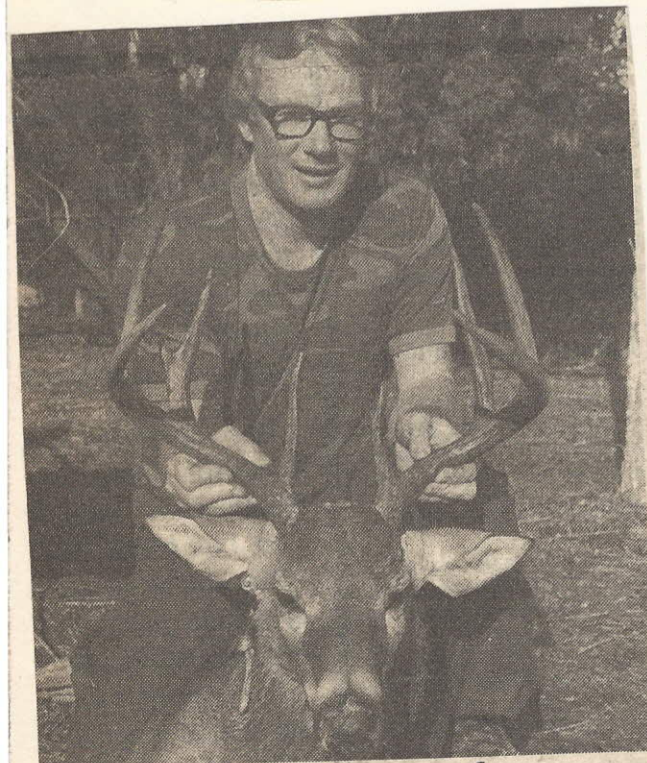
"I believe that through my small effort, children in Mexico will be able to come to this youth camp and learn about the love and salvation of Christ. They will find love which is what I found when I went there in

service," Mrs. Renwick stated.

In her estimation the work and sacrifice was small when compared to the profound results it might bring. And her merry heart is a good medicine for her own spirit, her family, her church, and her community.



Billy Clowney proudly shows off one of the large striped bass he caught recently at Clark Hill. One weighed 41 1/4 lbs., and the other 34 lbs.



Kenny Martin of Winnsboro SC

proudly displays his trophy buck that weighed 212 lbs. His winning entry earned him 1st place and \$1,000.00 in the 9th Annual Big Buck Contest sponsored by Coby's Sport Shop.



(Photo by Coby's Sport Shop).

Pictured above is Jeff Douglas holding the massive rack of a 225 lb. white-tail deer harvested in Fairfield County. Jeff's deer is unique in that it has 20 scorable points and will rank very high in the S.C. Record Book for non-typical deer in the State. (Fairfield County ranks No. 1 in S.C. for record deer).



LORDY! LORDY! LOOK WHO'S FORTY!  
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# Ridgeway Area Seeing New Growth in Town, Outside Limits Too

By Cathryn Kennedy

Growth in Fairfield County by no means has been confined to the county seat. In the southern part of the county in and around Ridgeway, varied development is taking place. The county's second largest town now boasts its first apartment complex, Dogwood Apartments, owned by Tec Management, Inc., of Columbia. Located between Dogwood Drive and the S.C. Hwy. 34 Bypass, the complex features one and two-bedroom units, ample parking, and a playground for children. The units have been completed, and are now available for rent.

Ridgeway's old-timey southern charm enhances modern-day conveniences at the Timms' corner between Means and Palmer streets. A new three-bay carwash, located next to The Sandwich Station, is nearing completion. Co-owned by Mark and Rusty Timms, the facility will be open twenty-four hours a day. The owners expect to have its vacuums humming around the second week in June, with the possibility of an additional two bays to be constructed in the future.

Timms' Medi-Mart will be undergoing an expansion and facelift within the next two months, doubling its present size. According

to owner Rusty Timms, the pharmacy will be remodeled and stocked with a full line of merchandise similar to that of the large drug chains in the Columbia area. Talk about convenience at your bumper tips! Where else in the entire county can you eat lunch, fill a prescription, get gas, wash your car, and then step across the street to the post office to pick up your mail, all in one fell swoop?

Just outside of the Ridgeway town limits, heading west on S.C. Hwy. 34 toward I-77, a new motel is under construction. The ten-unit motel will carry a triple A rating, according to owner Ronnie Murphy, who expects to be open for business within three months. Plans for the near future include a second story which will add another ten units to the building, with a convenience store and gas pumps, and also a cafe to follow.

The main reason for building the motel, said Murphy, is that due to his wrecker service he often has to take stranded motorists to a motel in Camden, Winnsboro, or Blythewood, sometimes in the middle of the night. Having a motel right next to the wrecker service would save him time, and save the customer the added expense of mileage to his lodgings. Murphy says that signs for food, fuel, and lodging will be posted

on I-77 near the Ridgeway interchange when the new facilities are completed.

Ronnie Murphy is in the process of relocating his triple A wrecker service, mobile home sales, and commercial trailer manufacturing company (Fairfield Trailers and Equipment) from Centerville to the property next to the motel site, his Centerville land having been leased by Amelco for their gold mining project. When fulltime operations resume, Murphy expects to employ between twelve and fourteen fulltime employees at the new site.

Other development in the area include the placement of street signs at all corners; a new fiber-optic telephone cable in the town limits, which is expected to improve telephone service to Columbia; an area behind the Ridgeway Fire Department where county fire trucks can fill up at a metered tap; and a proposed sixteen-unit mobile home park to be located outside of the town limits behind Tanglewood Health Care Center on Third Street. Ridgeway is definitely in for its share of development and population growth, as the second largest town in Fairfield County enjoys an increase in technology, convenience, and prosperity.



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# Debe's Restaurant in Ridgeway 'Country by Day,

By Cathryn Kennedy

In the last few months, Debe's Restaurant has undergone a relatively small, but nonetheless significant, facelift. The Ridgeway eatery's physical looks and menu have been remodeled to suit changing times.

Gone are the old, worn booths and counter, all of which gave a heavy and somewhat dark appearance to the main dining room. Last March they were replaced with graceful wrought iron tables and chairs which were more comfortable and added more room to the restaurant area. The tables, combined with a small decorating change to the front windows, provided a lighter, more refreshing atmosphere.

Owners Rae and Allan Horne have future plans for a new floor and new lighting fixtures to give a more cozy atmosphere in the evening. In addition to the main dining area there are three back dining rooms for private parties.

At the time of the renovation, the Hornes changed the form of the menu, but not the food. Country cooking is still the order of the day at Debe's. The menu has a Farkel

Family theme, reminiscent of the Farkel Family farce routine made popular in the late sixties by Rowan and Martin's Laugh-In. Titled, "The Farkel Family Food Emporium," it gives a brief history of the Farkel Family on one side under the Farkel Family coat of arms. It is signed at the bottom by some of the more famous Farkel Family members, including Grandpa Fargo Farkel (the founder), Mama Farda Farkel, Big Father Freddie Farkel, Frick and Frack Farkel (the twins), Fast Faye Farkel, Cousin Frank Farkel, and Cousin Carkel Farkel (black sheep of the family). The Farkel Family members are drawn from local celebrities, and their caricatures are proudly displayed on the walls of the restaurant.

On the other side of the menu are the food items, interspersed with Farkel Family bits of wisdom handed down through the years. The menu features chicken to went; the Farkel Furter 1/4 lb. super dog, guaranteed the best dog you ever walked; Farkel Family super Farkelized Farkel fries; and chicken livers from contented chickens. Fish, steaks, and chops are also available, as are sandwiches and salad bar.

It is a treat just to read the menu

while waiting for an order to arrive. Books listed on the menu include "How to Be a Happy Chicken," by Foghorn Leghorn; "Chicken Lips Are Out of Season," by Charlie Tuna and Morris the Cat; and "Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Chicken But Was Afraid to Ask," by Cousin Carkel Farkel.

Hot vegetables are served at lunchtime, and there is usually a gourmet special served at night in addition to the regular menu items. "Country by day, gourmet by night," is the new by-word. Rae uses fresh herbs and spices, trying to keep ingredients as natural as possible. The gourmet touch was introduced three months ago as an effort to offer something different and lighter than the heavy cooking so popular with the large noontime crowd. Nighttime specials include grilled flounder fillets with lemon sauce, chicken rosemary, fettucine and shrimp, china garden shrimp, fettucine Bolognese, tomato salad, two-cheese bread, and marinated orange pork shish-kebob. Rae likes to try to do something different each week. But first she tests all recipes on her family, whom she describes as "picky eaters who for years wouldn't eat anything but country cooking."

Allan is responsible for managing Debe's and its four employees who live locally. He previously worked for the Marriott chain, managing a full-service restaurant in Washington, D.C., and in-flight operations for airlines in Miami, where he serviced Air Force One many times. He has also managed a Roy Rogers Restaurant in Raleigh and a Shoney's in Columbia. Allan left Shoney's to buy Debe's Restaurant from O. W. "Billy" Kennedy in April of 1981.

Rae is responsible for planning the meals and supervising the cooking. She also began a catering service in 1985 which has been a resounding success. She has catered for weddings and parties, and even the Carolina Cup. Although Rae will make any kind of food, her first love is gourmet cooking, and her favorite catering recipes include vegetable centerpieces which her husband carves, meat-filled phyllo pastries, mushrooms stuffed with crabmeat, marinated mushrooms, pate, marinated Moorish pork cubes, strawberries with grand marnier and chocolate, and strawberry trees. She also provides champagne fountains and both alcoholic and non-

## Gourmet by Night



Debe's owners, Rae and Allan Horne, fix take-out lunches for Rite-Aid construction workers. (Photo by Cathryn Kennedy)

## Stevens Sells Colonial Drug Store

Mark Stevens has sold the Colonial Drug Store after being associated with it since October 1945.

Stevens first worked for Riley McMaster at the Colonial after he came out of the service in 1945. In the late 1950's, he bought the Colonial from McMaster and remodeled the store.

The Colonial originally had a wooden floor, five big lights for illumination, ceiling fans, a wooden stove for heat, and screen doors.

Stevens put in a tiled floor, fluorescent lights, paneled the walls, added new refrigeration equipment, an air conditioner and gas heat.

When Stevens first started working in the Colonial, only two types of sandwiches were served: ham salad and pimiento cheese.

The pimiento cheese sandwich cost 25 cents. Today, it costs 85 cents, and is included in a much larger selection of sandwiches.

In 1945, a small fountain soft drink cost 6 cents and a large one cost 10 cents. Today, the small soft drink costs 35 cents and the large drink costs 50 cents.

An added attraction to the Colonial is the "Coffee Club" or "Roundtable" of citizens who gather every morning for coffee and gossip. The Roundtable has met there at least 20 years, said Stevens.

Stevens' wife, Jane, had been a big help to him, too. "She was a great asset in making the business what it was," he said. "She was a great help, especially when I was sick," he added.

And he has been sick. He has had several operations, ranging from heart bypass surgery to operations for kidney stones and cancer.

In fact, it was due to his ill health that he sold the Colonial.

What will he do now?

Stevens said he plans to stay active. He is 69 years old and itching to try something new.

The Colonial is to be remodeled by its new owners, and one can't help feel that a bit of the past is gone, never to be seen again.

But rest assured, Mark Stevens has earned a rest.



CONSERVATION FARMER OF THE YEAR — District Commissioner Charles Coleman, left, presents the Conservation Farmer of the Year Award to Billy Ladd. The award is presented to a Fairfield County farmer who cooperates with the district by installing conservation practices.



NEW MANAGER — Newly appointed H&R Block Manager Cindy Newton is shown with franchise owner Joe Lavender, at a recent managers' meeting conducted by the company.

# A Golden Opportunity Strikes Again for Fairfield County

A few years ago, The Fairfield Independent ran a one line banner across the bottom of the front page; this banner posed a question, "Is There Gold in Fairfield County?" At that time, the banner caused little excitement among the locals, even when it was followed by an article relating explorations in the southeastern section of the county for gold.

Faded to the present... While no one expects Sutter's Mill all over again, interest and excitement are rising, as the possibility of Fairfield's gold being mined draws closer to being a reality.

Amselco Minerals Inc., a Denver-based subsidiary of British Petroleum North America, is currently involved in a pre-feasibility study, and will begin a year-long feasibility study in April, to determine if its worth the \$100 million upfront investment it would require to mine the gold.

The company's recent activities involving land acquisition have set the southeastern section to talking, and a population already bedazzled with Rite-Aid and Mack Trucks, is now wondering if more good fortune is in the offing.

In recent weeks, landowners and residents near the crossroads of Hwy. 34 and Rd. 46 have been asked if they are willing to move. Amelco already controls about 5,000 acres

along S.C. 34 in Fairfield and Richland counties.

A number of persons have either leased their lands or sold them to Amselco. S.T. Murphy, 70, who lives on the site targeted by Amselco, leased his 43 acres to the company five years ago. He told a Herald-Independent reporter on Monday that he has to be off the land by April. Murphy, who says he has been in the location for 35 years, says "I'll get a percentage of everything that comes off here".

S.T. Murphy's son, Ronnie Murphy, owner of Fairfield Trailers and Equipment, says he has leased his property to Amselco, but will have to move. Murphy says the company will reimburse him for the cost of the buildings on his present location, and he will get a percentage of any gold mined. Murphy says he is buying land near I-77 and will relocate there.

### Possible Impact

If Amselco's feasibility study gives the green light to mining Fairfield's gold, it will take several years to get ready for operations. However, the initial stages could begin in late 1987. What effect would the gold mine have on Fairfield's economy?

First, the anticipated capital investment would be about \$100 million; annual operating costs would be about \$30 million, most of

which would be expended locally. Some 200 persons would be employed, although the employment figure could run higher during the construction period.

The annual payroll and related expenses could run from \$7 to \$10 million.

Capital expenditures would include \$20-30 million for construction; most or all of the construction could be handled by local general contractors. Incidental construction (dams, roads, other infrastructure, exploration, design, engineering, etc.) could run to \$10-15 million.

Ore processing fixtures and machinery would cost about \$30 million, and mining equipment and ore haulers another \$7-10 million.

The county would receive an average over a 10-year period of \$640,000 annually at the present millage rates. Of this amount, Fairfield County Schools would receive an average of \$490,000 per year during the 10-year period. In addition to the 200 jobs at the mine, 128 jobs would be created in the surrounding communities in the non-manufacturing sectors.

A gold mine would be similar to the granite quarry operations with which most Fairfieldians are already familiar. Amselco's targeted area

takes in a five-mile radius; it would not be a strip mining operation.

### Bottom Line

Of course, the bottom line is whether the price of gold will hold up or drop below its present level. Gold prices are known to fluctuate wildly, and Amselco will be watching this very closely. That there is gold under southeastern Fairfield's sand and scrub oaks is apparent; but whether it is economically feasible to harvest that yellow crop remains to be seen.

### Other Locations?

The area which holds Amselco's interest may not be the only one in the county containing gold. The Kennedy family of Simpson have found evidence of gold on their property located along Hwy. 34. Dwight Kennedy, one of the owners, says he has known for six years that there is gold on the Kennedy lands, and he has had a laboratory analysis made from samples taken from the land.

Mr. Kennedy said he tried several laboratories in South Carolina, but they couldn't give him an analysis. Mr. Kennedy says that thanks to the efforts of Clemson Extension Leader Robert Cunningham, he was able to get a sample analyzed, but he hasn't approached any of the mining companies at this time.



S.T. Murphy and wife, Helen, near exploration well.



At the Fairfield County Extension Homemaker Council's spring meeting program, participants included Mrs. Isabelle Broome, Council president; James McCabe, Uniroyal Plant Manager, speaker; and Mrs. Frances Castles, county cultural arts, clothing, textiles and international chairman.



Creighton Cathcart, 9, proudly displays this unusual radish grown in the Cathcart family garden at Greenbrier. Creighton, a third grader at Richard Winn Academy, is the daughter of Patty and Johnny Cathcart.



**DEDICATION** — The Fairfield Transit System, an affiliate of Midlands Human Resources Development Commission, dedicated its new fleet of buses last Wednesday at Fortune Springs Park. State Rep. Crosby Lewis cut the ceremonial ribbon. Other dignitaries on hand were Sen. John Martin, Win-

nsboro Mayor Quay McMaster, County Council Chairman Coit Washington, S.C. Transportation Director Jerome Noble, and MHRDC Executive Director Sam Washington. The transit system began in February 1985. Maggie Holmes is the local director. (Photo by Faye Johnson)



Cleo Lewis and Barbara Carr sort through food given by donation to the Community Food Bank. The food was collected in a special community Thanksgiving service held at Bethel A.R. Presbyterian Church this past week. In addition to the food, \$374

was raised. The Food Bank is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday on a referral basis. Anyone with emergency food needs should contact their minister or the Department of Social Services.



Virgil McConnell, left, receives a check from Spratt Clowney, right, representing Champion International Corporation, in the amount of \$1,000 to be used for

equipment for the new Feasterville Volunteer Fire Department.



**YES, BANANAS!** O.E. Manigault poses beside some bananas growing on a banana tree near his home. Manigault said the original cutting came from his

sister in Florida. He watches the plant closely in the winter, protecting it from the cold, and in the summer he enjoys the fruits of his labors.

# STAYING IN

BY LARRY SMITH

When ASCS recently announced the names of the 58 dairymen in South Carolina whose bids had been accepted as part of the Milk Production Termination Program, William Coleman's was not included.

In fact, the Fairfield County dairyman, who farms 1,200 acres near Blair in partnership with his father Howard and his brother Charles, had not seriously considered letting the government buy him out.

"We talked about submitting a bid and considered it somewhat, but we didn't even go so far as to see what kind of base we would have. It was just such a shot in the dark as to what you could bid on it, not knowing what kind of bids would be accepted. So we didn't know which way to go.

"Sometimes we wonder why we didn't after the bids came out to be what they were. We feel that's the only big money we would have ever made out of the dairy business."

According to ASCS records, 94 South Carolina dairymen submitted bids averaging \$14.73 per hundredweight to terminate their herds under the provisions outlined in the 1985 Farm Bill. Of that number, 58 were accepted, with the highest accepted bid being \$22.50 per hundredweight.

"The fact that we had 58 producers whose bids were accepted didn't surprise me nearly as much as what the top bids were. I had no idea it would have gone as high as \$22.50. Just guessing, I would have said \$14.00."

Even though Coleman admits with hindsight that "it would have been awfully tempting" to bid knowing what he does now, still he's satisfied to remain in the dairy business.

"I'd hate to be in the position of some of these dairymen," he said, "who have cows that have really worked for them all these years and just to give them up. Our cows have done good work and we treat them like people almost.

"We've got a good, gentle herd; they're almost like family. It would have been very hard to send them to slaughter."

Coleman also pointed out that even if he had been accepted into the whole herd buy out program, he most probably would still farm some other commodity, causing more competition.

"If we had gone with the buy out program, we would have gone into farming somewhere else — row crops, catfish, or whatever. In my opinion, we would just be adding to the commodity surpluses that are already there."

In spite of the best intentions of the program, Coleman thinks that it will really have little effect, at least in the long run, on milk surpluses.

"I don't really think the buy out program is going to be a long term solution," he cautioned, "unless we get some type of base plan nationwide. I've heard some of these producers that were accepted into the program say that within five years they're going to be ready to go right back into dairying.

"Without some production controls, I feel like after two or three years we're going to get right back in the same situation again.

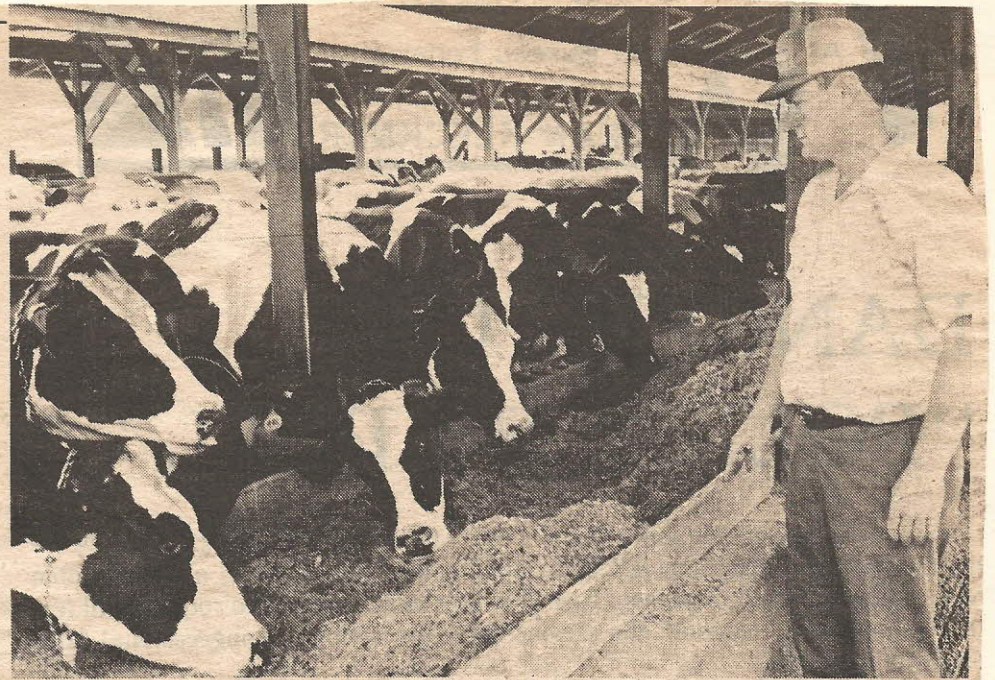
"When we had some state controls, as far as pricing, we were making some money. Now we don't have any controls and we're getting approximately \$2.00 per hundredweight less than we were two years ago and yet the price of milk is up approximately 10 to 20 cents per gallon in the stores.

"I'm also scared that some other farmers, like row crops, might take a look at the dairy industry now."

The milk reduction program could cause serious problems in South Carolina, already a milk deficit state, which will see its production cut some 13%, whereas Midwestern states, which are surplus producing states, will be cut by a smaller percentage.

As far as the future of the Coleman dairy is concerned, William, who is a Coburg producer, hopes to continue to become more and more efficient — not necessarily bigger.

"We're milking 183 Holsteins going through the barn right now. But we've got somewhere near 500 herd of cattle altogether — that's cows anywhere from day old baby calves



"Somebody's going to milk cows — somewhere. At this point I want to be one of them...it's something we enjoy and something we choose to do," says William Coleman.

to full grown milking cows and beef cattle also.

"We're just about at our limit as far as the total number of cows. We're trying to do some things to be a little more efficient. Just this past winter we expanded our parlor where we can milk more cows at a time; therefore, it takes less time actually milking so we can get other jobs done. Right now we're just trying to be more efficient with the number of cows we've got.

"Our herd average has gone up and continues to climb almost every month. We're just a shade over 18,000 pounds rolling herd average. That's because of a good feeding and breeding program and trying to take care of what we've got."

"We're trying to move toward a registered herd even though we're not that far along yet. We're accumulating registered cows as well as raising them out. We hope to eventually become a totally registered dairy one day."

Coleman has also been quite active in Farm Bureau since he returned to the dairy business full time in 1980. In 1983, he and his wife Cheryl were selected as the Central District Young Farm Family of the year. He currently serves on the Fairfield County Board of Directors

as well as the SCFB Dairy Committee.

He admits the termination program could also have a serious impact on Farm Bureau's Dairy Committee: "We haven't had a meeting since the contracts were announced, but there are three people on our Dairy Executive Committee that are participating in the buyout program.

"I think it's going to hurt us not only financially, but also with our leadership. I think the Dairy Division has done us a lot of good in the past and will continue to do so."

So for the time being at least, William Coleman plans to continue with dairying, even though he acknowledges like most farmers that profits in his business continue to dwindle.

"I don't know of any other types of farming that are very profitable these days — at least no other type of legal farming that's profitable.

"Somebody's going to milk cows — somewhere. At this point I want to be one of them. I'm not saying that something might come along that looks a whole lot better.

"We're not getting a good return on our investment. It's a living for us — a hard living — but it's something we enjoy and something we choose to do."

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# What Else Happened in 1986

## EDUCATION: 115

Fairfield Central High School opened its doors in September to grades 9-12, serving students from both Winnsboro and McCrorey-Liston high schools. The WHS Wildcat and the MLS Eagle were merged into the FCHS Griffin.

Midlands Technical College's Fairfield branch continued holding night classes for college credits at Fairfield Middle School (old WHS), and MTC also initiated the "Get Ready" program aimed at helping prepare local residents for future jobs.

In March of 1987, job training for prospective Mack workers will begin at the "spec" building located on Hwy. 321 across from the Mack site.

There are a number of programs offered locally to those who wish to upgrade their education. They include the public schools' adult education program, MTC's college program, and the "Get Ready" program.

## DROUGHT

It was a very dry year.

Ridgeway's and Winnsboro's water resources provided sufficient water without restrictions; however, had the drought not broken when it did, both towns would likely have had to impose water conservation measures.

Fairfield was one of the South Carolina counties declared drought-stricken and eligible for federal assistance. The drought's bright spot was the warmhearted generosity of farmers in other parts of the country, who donated huge amounts of hay for farmers in the dry spots. The hay came by rail and truck, including Mack and National Guard trucks. Although the water table is still not up to normal, fall rains have vastly improved the situation.

## INDUSTRY

One need only to ride a mile or so south of Winnsboro to see that industrial growth is coming to Fairfield. A huge, modern, \$80 million truck assembly plant is being built on Hwy. 321, and a few miles from Winnsboro on Hwy. 34, a drug distribution warehouse is under construction.

Citation Boats is already in production in Western Fairfield, and it looks as if that Ridgeway gold is going to be mined, to the tune of a \$70 million investment by Amselco.

Old standbys JPM, Standard Products, and Rachlin Furniture have enjoyed a banner year. JPM has hired 50 people since October; Standard is in the process of adding on about a hundred new people; and Rachlin has hired more people and anticipates additional employment in 1987. Uniroyal, thought to be on shaky ground a year or so back, has been bought by Goodrich (it's now Uniroyal Goodrich), and seems to be holding stable.

Unhappily, Mark's Mfg. closed its Fairfield operation, and some layoffs were experienced at Fairfield Mfg. Co.

Charm Corp. remains a bright picture in the Ridgeway area.

## MUNICIPAL GROWTH

The future looks bright for the Town of Ridgeway, with the long awaited grant approval for a waterline connecting Ridgeway with Winnsboro. Ridgeway will supply water to Rite Aid.

Winnsboro has grown - at least space wise - this year, annexing 346.73 acres into the town. Winnsboro has been busy throughout the year, preparing to supply water, sewerage and gas to Mack Trucks.

The town is also trying to upgrade its Main Street image via the Small Towns program. Already, several businesses on Congress Street have undergone facelifts, with more scheduled to follow suit.

## MEDICAL

Fairfield Memorial Hospital has a handsome new "face" - the outpatient clinic which opened in August. The new wing contains business and administrative offices, a modern emergency room, visitor lobby, trauma rooms, lab, and gift shop.

FMH announced last week that an orthopedic clinic will be held at the hospital on Wednesdays and Fridays.

The county also gained an eye clinic, located on the By-Pass, earlier this year.

## OF INTEREST

Fairfield County has long boasted of its pines, pastures and ponds; while guiding "Mackers" on tours of the county, Hannah Phillips added a fourth "p" - people.

That "P" might also stand for Phillipses; Hannah and Phil and their family were selected as South Carolina's Family of the Year for 1986. The feelings of many were summed up thusly, "with people like the Phillipses, no wonder the county is such a fair place to live."



## A Retirement Picnic

On Sunday, September 28, the children and grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Carl G. Lyles honored them with a surprise retirement picnic at the White Oak Conference Picnic Shelter.

Sixty family members and friends gathered to honor the retirees on this special occasion. There were guests from Richmond, Virginia, Moncks Corner, Columbia, Blythewood, Clemson and Winnsboro present.

After the delicious picnic lunch an important roasting of the couple took place with friends and family participating with Mr. Lyles' brother, Fay from Richmond, Virginia, acting as master of ceremonies.

Mrs. Lyles retired on July 1, after 18 years of service in the Fairfield County Veteran Affairs Office and Mr. Lyles retired from Fairfield Electric Cooperative after 42 years on September 30.

## Reunion

A family reunion of the decendants of Robert W. and Irene D. Wilkes was held June 1, at Salem Presbyterian Church at Salem Cross Road.

Ninety-three relatives and friends attended the reunion. A bountiful dinner was enjoyed by all.

All the brothers and sisters were present, which included Robert Wilkes of Duncan, Thomas and Earl Wilkes of Winnsboro, and James Fay Wilkes of Columbia; Louise Lewis of Blackstock, Georgia Branham, Lillian Rhymer and Essie Swearingen of Winnsboro and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

## Stevenson-Turner Reunion

The annual meeting of the Stevenson-Turner family reunion will be held on Sunday, April 27, at 1 p.m. at Lebanon Presbyterian Church, PCA, on Highway 34, west of Winnsboro.

All the descendants of David Lee Stevenson and Anna Jane Turner are invited and urged to attend. "Bring a picnic lunch and join your family for a fun day", says chairman, Mrs. Gunnar L. Rambo.

David Lee Stevenson and Anna Jane Turner were married on December 15, 1885. David Lee was the son of James Weir and Sara Brown Stevenson and the grandson of James Stevenson (B. Dec. 1786, Antrim, Ireland) and Eleanor Weir (B. 1974, at Camden District, SC).

Anna Turner was the daughter of Dr. William Kennedy Turner and Elizabeth Lemmon and the granddaughter of James Lemmon (B. 1797, County Down, Ireland).

David and Anna settled in the Lebanon Community of Fairfield County. They had five children; Edward Lee, William James, Leonard O'Rion, Annie Elizabeth, and Nina Earlene. All the children married and settled in the Lebanon Community except Annie who settled in the Greenbrier Community.

Edward Lee married Annie Stone; William James married Beulah Foxworth; Leonard O'Rion married Lula Lee Chappell; Annie married James Castles and Nina married Jim McClintock (sometime after his death she married Paul Watson). Annie Castles is still living in the Greenbrier Community and Nina Watson makes her home in Columbia.

## Mrs. Dove Receives Degree

Karen S. Dove was among those receiving degrees from Winthrop College, Rock Hill, S.C. during August. She was awarded a Masters degree in Special Education.

Following graduation from Winnsboro High School, Karen received an A.A. degree from Spartanburg Methodist College, Spartanburg, S.C. in 1977 and graduated from Winthrop College, Rock Hill, S.C. in 1979 with a B.S. degree in Special Education. She is a member of the faculty of Fairfield Central High School, Winnsboro, in the Special Education Department.

Karen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack R. Stevenson. She is married to Michael L. Dove and they, along with their 5-year-old daughter, Ashley, reside on Parklane Drive, Winnsboro.



**SPECIAL DATE**—August 13 is a very important date for the Sinclair-Thompson-Harrington families. Vernon Sinclair, 87; his daughter, Myrtle Thompson; and granddaughter Susan Harrington celebrate birthdays that day. In addition, Larry and Myrtle Thompson celebrate their wedding anniversary that same day. Front, left to right, Myrtle Thompson, Vernon Sinclair, Susan Harrington. Back, Larry Thompson. (Photo by Fran Thompson).

# Phillips Family

## Named Regional

### Family of Year

By Cathryn Kennedy

The family of Herman Grady Phillips, Jr. has been selected as a regional "Family of the Year" by a state committee. The Phillips family represents a district composed of Newberry, Fairfield, Lexington, and Richland counties. A "Family of the Year" was selected for each of eight other districts. One of these will be named "South Carolina Family of the Year" this month.

In order to promote the importance of the family unit and to recognize it as a vital structure for the building of a strong and wholesome society, "Family Week in South Carolina" was created by legislation in February of 1978. The Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism (PRT) is annually responsible for developing a plan to promote the last week in August as Family Week. Local festivals, pageants, field days, picnics, and reunions are included in the activities which encourage active participation by family members as a unit.

Every year a "Family of the Year" is chosen from state-wide applicants to receive an appropriate award from the governor. A committee composed of one member from each of the following organizations

determines the regional and state selections: Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism; Department of Youth Services; South Carolina Commission on Aging; Department of Social Services; Department of Agriculture; Clemson University Extension Service.

Criteria for selection include: children's accomplishments should be a reflection of their upbringing and the values instilled in them while living in their parents' home; the family should demonstrate a wise use of the resources available to them; there should be improvement or maintenance of the family economic status, even though the family may be faced with special problems, and consideration should be given to the potential growth and progress of family members in the years ahead; the family should provide a good home environment and family relationships which foster good citizenship and the development of the children to their fullest potential educationally, spiritually, physically, and economically; the family should take a part in improving community life by engaging in activities that make it a better place in which to live and rear children.

#### The Phillips Family

The Phillips family attends First

Hannah is a former member of the Winnsboro Woman's Club, and past board member of the Friends of the Library, Winnsboro Cotillion, and Richard Winn Academy. She has also served as Fairfield County Beautification and Community Improvement Chairperson. Having served as a district director on historical preservation, Hannah was responsible for having the White Oak community placed on the National Register of Historic Places, and has received the Distinguished Service Award from the Fairfield County Historical Society. Other awards include Clemson University Cooperative Extension Service Focus Award Winner, district first place and a state third place for the President's Report, first place in the state Public Relations in Council competition, first place in the State Garden Club competition for the Cuba N. Rutledge Civic Beautification Award, recipient of the State Coreen Bryant Public Relations Award.

"Being named 'Family of the Year' from our district is a very great honor," Hannah says. "Congratulations and acknowledgements from friends and acquaintances have been pouring in since the announcement. I feel we are truly blessed. The love and loyalty which the family share have always been there, right from the beginning; we have never had to have a tragedy to bring us together, as is the case with many other families."

Son Herman Grady Phillips, III, 31, was graduated from The Citadel with a bachelor's degree in political science, where he was class president sophomore, junior, and senior years, cadet captain, member of the Honor Committee, and listed in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities". Grady is currently a deacon and Sunday School director at First Baptist Church of Winnsboro, vice-president of the Winnsboro Rotary Club, and a board member of both the Boykin Spaniel

Baptist Church of Winnsboro, where they have been active communicants, involved in all phases of church life. Both Phil and Hannah came from loving, church-going families, and have tried to continue this tradition with their own children. As licensed foster home parents, Hannah and Phil have opened their home to youngsters over the years, including Rotary Exchange students Natalie Bersier of Switzerland, and Axel Wech of Austria. The Phillips are charter members of the Winnsboro Historical Society and the Winnsboro Cotillion.

Father Herman Grady Phillips, Jr. was graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a bachelor's degree in business. He is president of Phillips Granite Company in Winnsboro, a company founded by his father, and the largest monument manufacturing plant in the state. Phil is a deacon and past chairman of deacons at First Baptist Church in Winnsboro, where he has taught Sunday school for thirty-five years. He is also a Mason, a Shriner, past president and director of the American Monument Association, and a past president of the Winnsboro Rotary Club, as well as a director of the Bank of Fairfield and member of the Fairfield County Chamber of Commerce. His hobbies include hunting and fishing.

business from Columbia College, where she was listed in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities," and was a Dean's List student. She is currently a Columbia College permanent class officer, president of the Greenville County Columbia College Alumnae Association, a provisional member of the Junior League of Greenville, and a hospital volunteer. Helen is employed with Syntex Laboratories as a medical representative, and in 1984 was one of eight sales reps in the southeast to receive a creative selling award. Her hobbies are boating, gardening, reading, water and snow skiing, and camping. Helen, who feels the "Family of the Year" award is "an honor to our parents," and husband Scott live in Simpsonville and attend St. Matthew Methodist Church, Greenville.

Daughter Hannah Cunningham Phillips, 16, is a rising senior at Richard Winn Academy. She was treasurer of her freshman class, and president of her sophomore and junior classes. Hannah was also a member and treasurer of chorus in tenth and eleventh grades, "Miss Homecoming Sweetheart" in 1984, a candidate for both Girls State and the Leadership Program at Converse College, a Richland Memorial Hospital volunteer, and Rotary Exchange student to Austria, chosen this past summer by the Rotary to attend the Seminar for Tomorrow's Leaders at Erskine College. She is currently a varsity basketball player, varsity football cheerleader, Junior Marshall 1986, and a member of Beta Club, Block "R" Club, and First Baptist Church youth group. Hannah says the family is "privileged to have received the 'Family of the Year' award. We owe it all to Mama and Daddy."

Each of the nine regional "Families of the Year" is a community example of the importance of family life. Each is honored to have been chosen to represent their respective districts, but only one of them will be picked to carry the state



**FAMILY OF YEAR** — Winnsboro Mayor Quay Mc-Master, left, presented Phil and Hannah Phillips with a resolution from the Winnsboro Town Council, commending them upon their selection as the state Family of the Year. Town Manager L.C. Greene, right, presented the Phillipses with a key to the city. (Photo by J.J. Burroughs)



**The 1986 Regional Family of the Year:** The Phillips of Winnsboro were recently awarded the honor by PRT. Seated: Father "Phil", Mother Hannah, and daughter Hannah. Standing: Son Grady, his wife, Dora, and their daughter Hannah Brown; Daughters Jane and Helen, and Helen's husband, Scott Vanvick. (Photo by Cathryn Kennedy).





**Six scholarly siblings**

From left: Mary Chapman, Doris Mims, Abbie Arrants, Alice Beckham, Margaret Campbell, Betty Brown

Jeff Amberg/The State

# Cheaper by the half dozen

## Ligon family made big contribution to education

By **RON WENZELL**  
State Staff Writer

The six Ligon girls from Fairfield County have more in common than kinship — all have taught school in South Carolina. The last two retired in 1984.

Ranging in age from 63 to 77, all live in South Carolina and are extremely close-knit. They visit frequently and take turns as hosts of a family reunion each year.

The sisters, ranked according to the number of years they taught, are: Elizabeth Ligon Brown of Great Falls, 39 years; Margaret Ligon Campbell of Chesterfield, 37 years; Mary Ligon Chapman of Winnsboro, 31 years; Doris Ligon Mims of Summerton, 30 years; Abbie Ligon Arrants of Columbia, 29 years; and Alice Ligon Beckham of Winnsboro, 17 years.

Another sister, Ruby Ligon Barnum

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of Columbia, worked as production manager and supervisor at the Southern Maid Co. in Winnsboro and with Palmetto Insurance Co. in Columbia.

The sisters were born and raised in the Greenbrier community near Winnsboro. Their father, William Walter Ligon, was a prominent cotton farmer and merchant and their mother, the former Ruby Platt of Orangeburg, was a school teacher in Branchville and Winnsboro before her marriage.

"My father was determined that all of

us would go to college and become teachers, like our mother," said Mrs. Brown. "He wanted us to have the very best and that didn't include farm work. None of us was ever permitted to help with the farm chores."

All except Mrs. Chapman, who graduated from Winthrop College, attended the University of South Carolina.

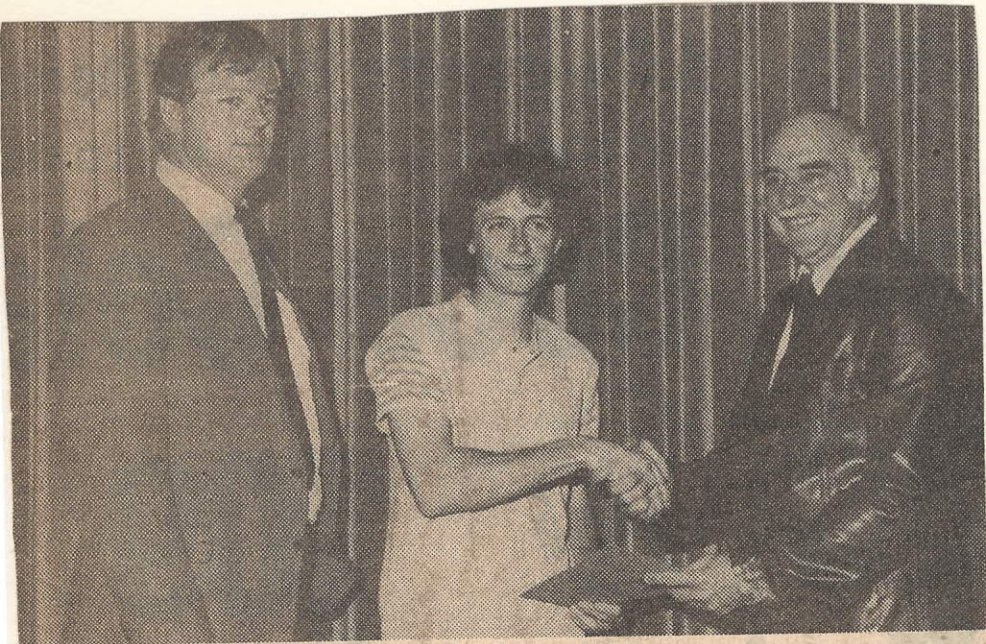
Mrs. Brown's teaching assignments included schools in Fairfield County, Chesterfield and Great Falls. She was librarian at Great Falls High School the last 12 years. She has a son, and her hobbies are oil painting, needlepoint, gardening and reading.

"Our starting salary was about \$60 a month and during Depression times we were paid in vouchers some months instead of money," she said.

**PAGEANT WINNER** — Hope LeGrand of Winnsboro was crowned Miss Carolina Girl on Saturday, at the St. Andrews Community Center. There were eight age group divisions, from ages 0 to 19 years, and Hope won in the 17-19 division. She won both the talent and beauty competitions. For her talent, she tapped to "Footloose". Hope's cousin, Libby Lucas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Lucas of Winnsboro, was first runner-up in the Junior Miss division, and won Miss Signature. Another cousin, Missy Lucas of Chester, has the Miss Teen Miss crown. Hope, who was Miss Halcyon at Winnsboro High for 1984-85, will compete at the state level at a date and place to be announced later. She was sponsored by Rising Sun Karate School and Reynolds Plumbing. Hope is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. LeGrand, and is a junior at Winnsboro High School. (Staff Photo)



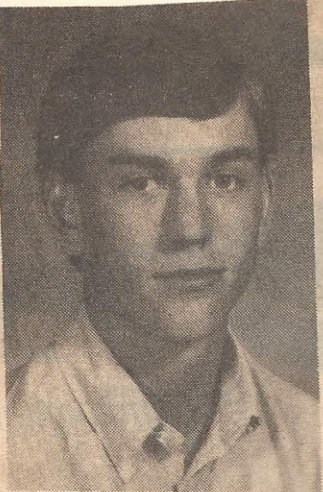
Annually, high school students attend the nationally recognized youth workshop held at Clemson University in June. Over 100 students from across South Carolina have an opportunity to learn about natural resource management. The Fairfield Conservation District sponsors two students to attend the workshop each year. Pictured above is Mac Westbrook, the 1985 workshop participant from Fairfield.



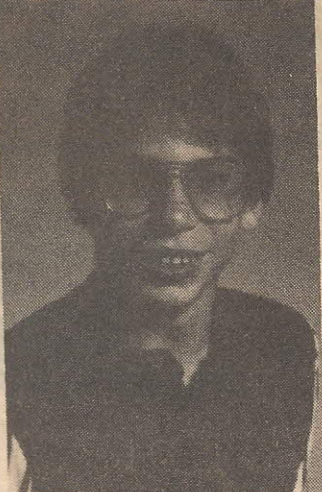
During graduation ceremonies at Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College, Mark Gustafson (center) of Winnsboro was named as the outstanding student in the tractor-trailer operator program. He is shown receiving his certificate from his two instructors, Steve Gasper, left, and Tim Timmons. Gustafson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Gustafson.



Page Castles, left, and Rana Weed represented the Fairfield Conservation District as delegates to the South Carolina Conservation Workshop for Youth held June 16-20. They are pictured with workshop staff member Marc Cribb, right, of the S.C. Land Resources Commission. The privately funded workshop, conducted by the Land Resources Commission, is co-sponsored by the commission and the S.C. Conservation Districts Foundation in cooperation with the S.C. Association of Conservation Districts and Clemson University.



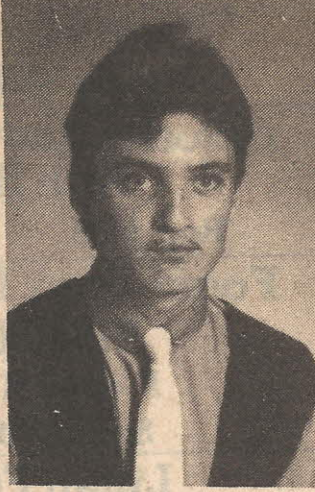
Eric Cathcart



Scott Perez



Richard A. Branham, Jr.



Jamie Baughman



Brad Moore



Lee Dixon

# Six Selected to Participate in Boy's State This Year

Six young Fairfield County students will attend Boys' State this summer, sponsored by the American Legion. They are as follows:

Richard Aaron Branham, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Branham of Blythewood. He is a junior at Richard Winn Academy, where he is a member of the prom committee, Block R Club, newspaper staff, yearbook staff, and formerly of the canteen staff. He has par-

ticipated in J.V. basketball and varsity football. Branham is a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, and is active in Boy Scouts of America, holding the rank of Life Scout, and he is in the final phase of attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

Brad Moore, also a junior at RWA, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Moore of Blythewood. At RWA, he is on the honor (merit) roll, and is a member of the Beta and Block

R clubs, and the chorus. He is a member of the Division 2A championship basketball team. Brad is an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, and is an Eagle Scout with Troop 276.

RWA junior Lee Dixon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lee Dixon of Ridgeway. He has served

on the Student Council for four years, the Debate

Team two years, is a member of the Drama Club, the yearbook staff, newspaper staff, and has served as manager for the football and baseball teams. He is secretary/treasurer of Aimwell Presbyterian Church Sunday School, and has been involved in Boy Scouts for two years.

Eric Cathcart, also an RWA junior, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S.D. Cathcart, Jr. He is student representative to the P.T.O. board, a com-

missioner with the Fairfield Conservation Youth Board, a volunteer at Fairfield Memorial Hospital, has served as trainer for the football team and manager for the football team, is on the yearbook and newspaper staffs, and belongs to the Block R Club. He is a member and usher at Bethel Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, where he is a member of the Young People's Christian Union. He is a former Cub Scout,

is a two-year graduate of The Citadel Summer Camp for Boys, has sung in the RWA Chorus two years, and works part-time for his father on the family farm.

Jamie Baughman, a junior at Winnsboro High School, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Baughman.

Scott Perez, also a junior at WHS, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Perez of Blair.



Miss Renwick

Penny Renwick, daughter of Mrs. Harold McGill Renwick, Jr. (nee Perry Anne Cathcart) and the late Capt. Renwick, was among 142 graduates receiving degrees at Salem College, on Sunday, May 22, in Salem Square, Winston-Salem, N.C.

Miss Renwick received a bachelor of arts degree in sociology and psychology; upon receipt of her degree, she became certified in special education.

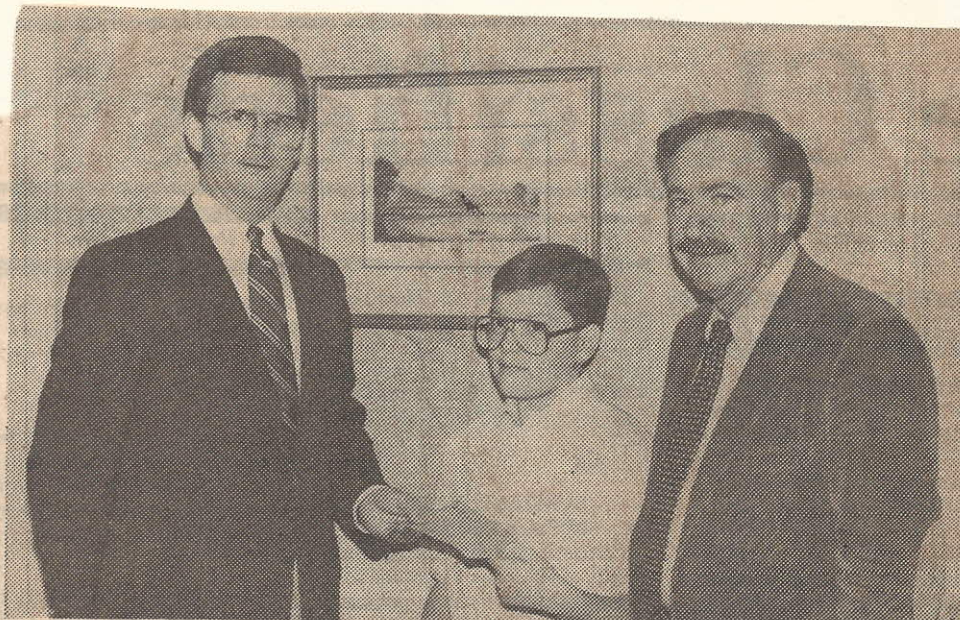
At the Honors Convocation for Academic Awards on May 10, Miss Renwick received the prestigious Johann Amos Comenius Award. This award is given to the senior who best exemplifies the qualities of Comenius, who is considered to be the father of modern education. He was responsible for founding the first girls' school in America, located in the Moravian settlement of Old Salem. This is the highest award in the field of education given at Salem College.

In the fall, Miss Renwick will return to her high school alma mater, joining the faculty at Richard Winn Academy.

She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ketchin Cathcart and Mr. and Mrs. Harold McGill Renwick, Sr.



Gresha Johnson, seven years old and a second grader at Gordon Elementary School, took first place in the recent Tornado Awareness Week poster contest. Here, she receives \$50 from Susan Douglass, of Guardian Fidelity Corporation, as her first prize. (H-I Photo)



Michael Miner, center, is in the sixth grade at Kelly Miller and was the second prize winner in the recent Tornado Awareness Week poster contest. Here he receives a \$50 bond from Steve Brakefield of Southern Bank while Disaster Preparedness Director George Douglass looks on. (H-I Photo)



Katie Doyle, a fourth grader at Everett, took third place in the recent Tornado Awareness Week poster contest. Here, she receives a \$50 bond from Betty Mann of Bank of Fairfield. Fourth place was Jody Bartell; fifth place was Matthew Miner; sixth place was Lakisha Feaster. (H-I Photo)



Members of the Hiott family are pictured above, from left to right. They are: Dr. Sara Hiott Irrgang, Katherine Hiott Haines, Cindy Hiott Belknap, Dr. Dorothy Hiott Muller, Dr. Jo Ann Hiott, Craig Hiott, and Will Hiott.

# Hiott Graduation & Reunion

All seven children of Mr. and Mrs. Sherrill Hiott of Walterboro, formerly of Winnsboro, were at home recently for the graduation of Dr. Jo Ann Hiott from the Medical University of South Carolina on Friday and William David Hiott (masters) from USC on Saturday.

These degrees make a total of fourteen for the seven Hiott siblings.

Jo Ann was an honor graduate of Winnsboro High School, received her degree in biology from USC and her masters from Clemson before going to New York University's Medical Center spinal cord injury hospital.

She was encouraged by Dr. Howard A. Rusk, founder and director of the Institute to return to South Carolina and medical school.

Will Hiott is a graduate of Walterboro High and graduated from USC in 1983. He has worked at Historic Columbia and as a graduate teaching assistant in the history department at USC. Since receiving his master's degree in applied history, he has been appointed as the first director of Spartanburg County Historical Association.



CAMPERS - - Benjamin Dubard and Kenneth Dubard, freshman at Richard Winn Academy, and sons of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Dubard of Blythewood, attended Camp Wildwood recently. Camp Wildwood, held at King's Mountain State Park, is sponsored by the Garden Clubs of South Carolina, Inc., the S.C. Wildlife Federation and the S.C. Wildlife and Marine Resource Department. The Anemone Garden Club of Winnsboro sponsored the two brothers this year. Camp Wildwood offers a wide range of activities ranging from classes on wildflowers to firearms safety. (Photo by Mike Avery).



Miss Swearingen



Miss Case



Miss Mills

## Represent County Farm Bureau

Three young ladies will represent Fairfield County Farm Bureau at the state convention in December. They will compete for the state title in their respective categories (junior talent, senior talent, and queen).

Rebecca Ann Swearingen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Swearingen of Blair, will be Fairfield County Farm Bureau's junior talent competitor. Becky is a 4th grader at Richard Winn Academy and has taken piano for four years from Mrs. Laurens Livings. She attends Cool Branch Baptist Church, where she is

active in the Youth Group and Sunday school.

Shannon Case, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Case of Winnsboro, will be Fairfield County Farm Bureau's senior talent competitor. Shannon is a senior at Richard Winn Academy, where she is a member of the Beta and Chorus clubs. She has enjoyed dancing for the past 13 years, taking tap, ballet and jazz. Shannon is a member of the First Baptist Church, where she is involved with the Youth Group.

Amy Mills, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mills of White Oak, will be the Bureau's contestant for the

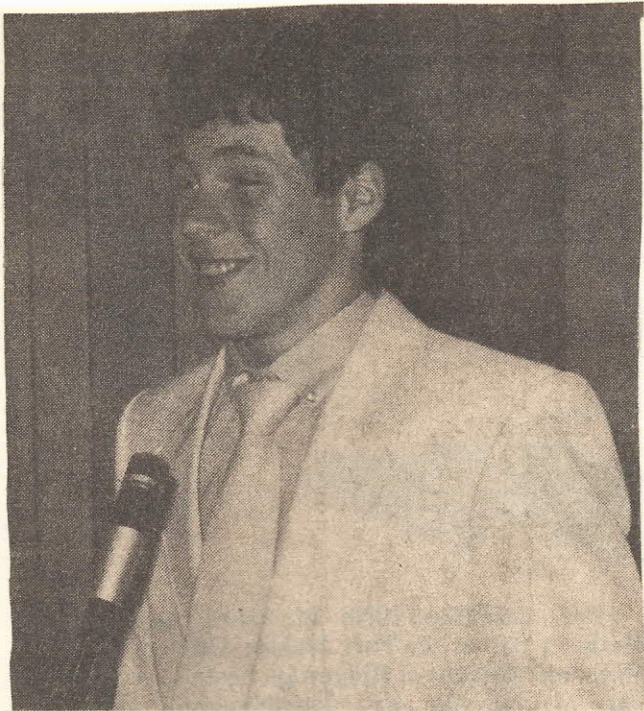
title of queen. Amy is a junior at the University of South Carolina, where she is studying to be a Computer systems/analyst. She has received the

President's Scholarship at USC, and is on the Dean's List. Amy is also a Kappa Sigma Little Sister. She is a 1984 honor graduate of Winnsboro High School, where she was a member of the Beta and SAE clubs, yearbook and newspaper staffs. She was also class valedictorian. Amy enjoys piano, ballet and tap. She is a member of Hopewell Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church.



These RWA graduates came home to their alma mater for homecoming this past weekend. About 60 graduates attended a special 20th anniversary dinner and the homecoming game.

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Brad Sanders

## In Contest

Brad Sanders, a rising senior at Richard Winn Academy, represented the Fairfield Conservation District recently in the East Piedmont Association of Conservation Districts' annual speaking contest. Sanders is the son of Betty and Al Sanders of the Lebanon Community. In addition, he is an agriculture student at Fairfield Vocational School and a youth commissioner for the Fairfield Soil and Water Conservation District.

The 1986 contest was

"Why Is Soil Conservation Important?" For winning the local district contest, Sanders was presented a check for \$50 by the Fairfield Conservation District.

Molly Levy was recently elected vice president of the House Board for the 1986-87 academic year at Converse College.

Levy, a rising junior, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melton Levy of Winnsboro.



Miss Patrick

Elizabeth Patrick of Greenwood, granddaughter of Mrs. W.B. Patrick of Due West and the late W.B. Patrick of White Oak, has been selected as recipient of an E.B. Kennedy Scholarship to Erskine College. The full academic scholarship is valued at over \$32,000 for four years.

Miss Patrick, a senior at Greenwood High School, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Banks Patrick, Jr. Her father, reared in White Oak, is a 1966 graduate of Erskine; her grandfather, W.Banks Patrick, was a 1923 Erskine graduate; and her grandmother, Elizabeth Fairey Patrick, recently moved to Due West Retirement Center from White Oak.



Miss Waitt

## Chosen

Ann M. Waitt, a Baptist College at Charleston senior from Winnsboro, was recently named to the 1986 Student Orientation Committee which coordinates activities planned for new students during the first week of the fall semester.

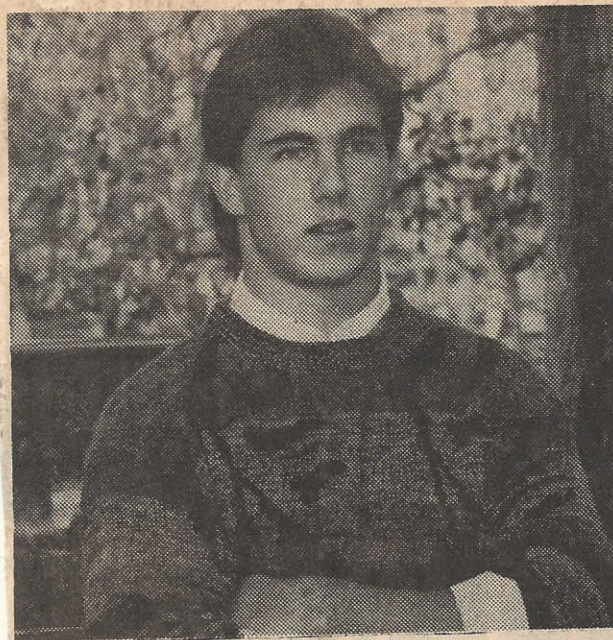
Students are selected on the basis of leadership ability, campus involvement and school spirit.

Waitt, a math education major, is also a member of Baptist Student Union, Psi Delta Phi and is an alternate College Marshall.

She is a graduate of North Greenville Junior College and is the granddaughter of Mrs. Ada B. Waitt of Winnsboro.

# RWA Men Featured in Calendar

By Becky Wooten



Paul Holmes

When the PTO of Richard Winn Academy decided to kick off the twentieth anniversary celebration of the school, the organization went looking for "a few good men".

Twelve students, from seventh graders to seniors, are featured in a 1986 monthly calendar which the PTO has been selling like hotcakes for \$6 each.

It is not coincidental that the PTO chose to make the first act of celebration a money-making project as the school continues to grow and rebuild after the 1984 tornados demolished the facility.

The proceeds of this calendar are earmarked for classroom equipment.

Featuring a male with each month of the year is not an original idea, explained project coordinator Pat Wade. "Many colleges these days sell similar calendars featuring handsome men on campus", she said.

The posing figures featured in the "Young Men of Richard Winn" 1986 calendar are situated in some very creative settings.

For example, freshman Ron Arnold is the man of the month in January. Suited in a Yamaha racing outfit, Arnold stands beside a motorcycle of the same make and the whole photo screams "macho" loud and clear.

Senior Scott Barefield shows off his physique all through the month of March as he is pictured working out on a weight

lifting machine. The bulging muscles are proof that the young man takes the weight lifting seriously.

While junior Crawford Hughes, who grins from the photo above the month of July, admits that Cosmopolitan has not called him for a magazine session, he is proud to have been one of the fellows chosen for the calendar. Hughes is comfortably sitting in a jacuzzi and non-verbally communicates "relaxation".

"When we first came up with the idea of doing an all-male calendar, we just chose some names of boys we thought would be willing and would photograph well," explained Mrs. Wade. "The sessions of taking their photos were a lot of fun. They really relaxed in front of the lens before it was over."

Taking the pictures included amateurs Dr. Charlie Williams, Bill Barefield, and Pat Wade.

Twenty merchants in the county sponsored ads in the calendar, helping the PTO defray the printing costs. Calendars can be purchased at Renwick's, Economy Drug Store, and the Trendsetter. The school office also has calendars for sale.

It's the first time anyone from Winnsboro has admitted to being a "calendar boy or girl". And while Hugh Hefner might argue that they chose the wrong sex and kept them too well dressed, the Richard Winn PTO thinks their money-making project was a good idea, with some greenbacks to prove them right.



## Fairfield Sampler

By Jo Burnes

Our cook this week is the youngest one we've had so far. I'm sure there are a lot of girls who have enjoyed cooking this summer while on vacation. What a help it is to the mothers, also, and cooking can be FUN, and creative.

Mary Elizabeth Kinley, known to all as Betsy, is 15 years old, and loves to cook and keep house. Mother Mary Lynn, who has the Family Fitness Center, said Betsy is always getting after her to keep her closet a little neater. Betsey, if you ever decide to leave home, you can surely come here...

Betsy will be a sophomore at Richard Winn Academy this fall, and she loves to swim, baby sit, listen to the radio, sports, and does a lot of church related activities. She and her Aunt Carolyn decided that the Spa should have something for the patrons to enjoy after their workouts, so while they were on vacation this summer at Hilton Head they decided to experiment and see what they could come up with. Betsy said they cooked up a lot of different things before they decided to go with the "Huffin-Puffin Muffins" and the "Bust Your Buns Brownies". She shared her recipes for some of the things, but the brownie recipe is their family secret. Brother Michael, who is 11 years old, is her official taster. These things are for sale at the Center, and Betsy says this is college money. She wants to go to Furman. Good luck, Betsy, and I'm sure your dreams will come true, with your wonderful family behind you.



Miss Jackson

Susan Jackson of Winnsboro was among those recently honored as Lexington County Hospital's Employee of the Month nominees for 1985.

Miss Jackson is a respiratory therapist at the hospital and was nominated by one of her peers as having displayed work above and beyond the call of duty.

## In the News

Gladden Graduates

Bobby Gladden was among graduates of the University of South Carolina, on August 16, receiving a B.S. degree in business administration, with a major in finance security. He is a 1982 graduate of Winnsboro High School and resides in Columbia. He is employed with Policy Management Systems in Blythewood.

Bobby is the son of Mrs. Sarah Lynn Gladden and the late Tom Gladden.

Pvt. Arnette

Army Pvt. 1st Class Bratton R. Arnette, son of Edward M. Arnette of Winnsboro, has arrived for duty at Fort Bragg, N.C.

Arnette is an infantryman.

# Erskine Signs Mark Ingle

Erskine College men's basketball coach John Powers has announced the signing of 6-5 Mark Ingle of Winnsboro High School to an athletic grant-in-aid for the 1986-87 season.

Ingle, who was coached at Winnsboro by Eddie Raines, is the son of Mrs. Marsha Ingle. He attended Boys State and was an honor student at Winnsboro High School.

"We are certainly pleased that Mark has decided to cast his lot with Erskine. He's a true student-athlete and will make an impact on our basketball program and our campus as well," said Erskine's Coach Powers. "Mark is what coaches refer to as a 'late bloomer' and a hard-worker and I certainly look forward to working with him."

Winnsboro Coach Eddie Raines noted, "Mark Ingle is an excellent young man and should develop into a fine college basketball player."



**SIGNS**— Winnsboro High School forward Mark Ingle (seated) signs a basketball grant-in-aid to attend Erskine College. Looking on are his mother, Mrs. Marsha Ingle; his high school coach, Eddie Raines (left), a graduate of Erskine, and Erskine men's basketball coach John Powers. Ingle, Erskine's fourth men's basketball recruit; was not only an outstanding basketball player but an honor student at Winnsboro High School. Powers described him as "a true student-athlete" who will "make an impact on our basketball program and our campus as well." (Photo by Mark Wilson)

Ingle becomes the fourth Erskine basketball recruit this spring.

# N.C. Tennis Champs

Chip and Chris Collins, identical twin sons of Ronnie and Cindy Collins of Fayetteville, recently won the North Carolina High School state doubles championship in tennis.

Ronnie Collins, father of the two champions, is from Winnsboro, where he quarterbacked Mt. Zion High to the 1959 state football crown and also played basketball at the University of South Carolina. He also won the S.C. state ping-pong championship at age 14.

His sons, Chip and Chris, took up tennis four years ago.

Wife Cindy was the 1967 Miss Fayetteville and the 1972 N.C. state bowling champion.

Chip and Chris are both 17-year-old juniors at Sanford High School, Fayetteville.

They are the grandsons of Carrie Bell Collins, of Winnsboro.



**GRADUATES** — The three Teal Family graduates attended the Medical Ball at Hibernian Hall, Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, along with their parents, Ed and Ruby Teal of Winnsboro. Carolyn Teal, left, received a doctor of medicine degree, and will begin a residency in internal medicine at MUSC July 1. Edward Wesley Teal, Jr., received a degree in dentistry, and after a residency in general dentistry at East Carolina University, Greenville, N.C., will return to Winnsboro to practice. His office will be located at 201 W. Moultrie Street. Ann Teal graduated May 26 from Richard Winn Academy, and plans to attend the College of Charleston in the fall.



## DuBard Elected

Rebecca DuBard was recently elected junior representative to the Judicial Board at Converse College for the 1986-87 academic year.

DuBard, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William L. DuBard, is a rising junior at Converse with a double major in English and Psychology. She has been on the Dean's List, is a member of Alpha Lambda Delta, and on the staff of the Conversationalist newspaper.

Converse College is an independent four-year liberal arts college, with a professional school of music, in Spartanburg, SC.



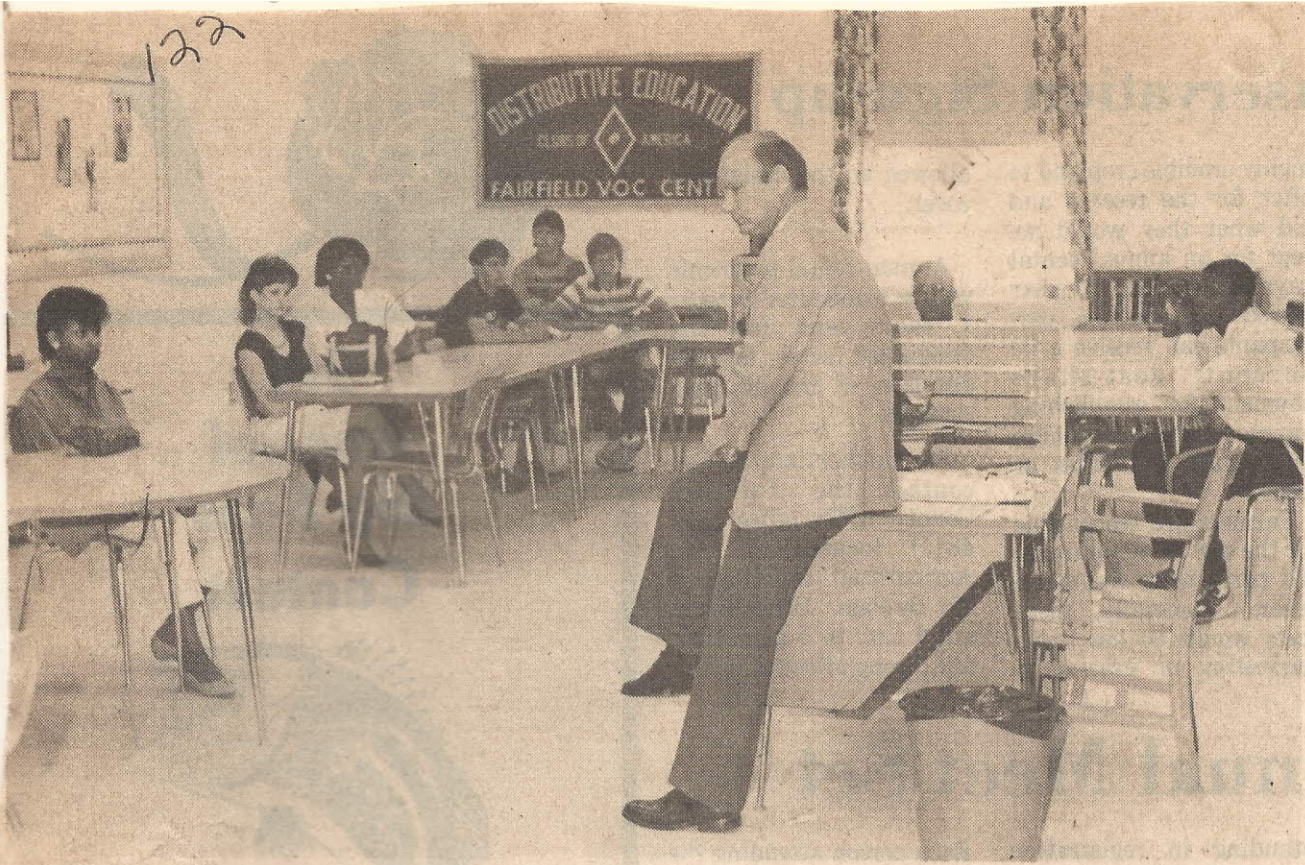
Signing the freshman tablecloth, a tradition at the President's Reception for new students at Erskine College, are (left to right): new Erskine students Mark Ingle of Winnsboro, a graduate of Winnsboro High School; George Deitz of Lewisburg, W.Va., a graduate of Greenbrier East High School; and Todd Robinson and Scott Robinson of Winnsboro, graduates of Richard Winn Academy. The tablecloth is signed at the freshman reception and brought out again for the students' senior reception, at which time they circle their signatures. Ingle is on basketball scholarship and Deitz on golf scholarship at Erskine. The outstanding freshman class, which arrived September 1, has an average SAT (College Board) score of 1,005. Erskine formally opened its one hundred forty-eighth academic year September 10. The Associate Reformed Presbyterian college was founded in 1839 as South Carolina's earliest four-year church-related college. (Photo by Dick Haldeman)

Wes Teal of Winnsboro has been named to the Dean's List at the College of Dental Medicine at the Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Teal of Winnsboro.



Donna Miller (right) of Winnsboro joined her sister Fran (left) this fall at Erskine College, where Donna is a freshman and Fran a sophomore. Their mother, Mrs. J. W. Miller, brought the two students to Erskine College as Erskine opened its one hundred forty-eighth year. Both Fran and Donna are graduates of Richard Winn Academy. Fran was an outstanding player last season for the Erskine women's basketball team, which Donna also plans to join this season. Fran is co-captain of the women's basketball team, vice president of Chi Lambda Sigma women's society, and secretary of Erskine Players this year. Erskine, South Carolina's earliest four-year church-related college, greeted 153 new students September 1, opened classes September 4, and held its formal opening September 10. (Photo by Dick Haldeman)



**LISTENING** — Students at Fairfield Vocational Center listen closely to John Furey of Standard Products as he tells them secrets to successful em-

ployment. Furey and other members of the business community participated in the annual Career Day observances held at the center. (H—I Photo)



**TOPS** — Fairfield County public schools fifth grader Robert Thomas III and eighth grader Melissa Robinson took top honors for the county in the Lt. Governor's Writing Awards Program for 1986. Thomas and Miss Robinson were honored in ceremonies held at Columbia College on November 25. They were chosen for their outstanding writing ability. (Photo by Kristi Godwin)

## Accident Victim Needs Community Support

By Cathryn Kennedy

While vacationing with his parents this past June, Blythewood resident Chad Sloan dove into a body of water, snapping his spinal cord at the neck. Miraculously, Chad survived the accident, but now faces the possibility of never regaining one hundred percent of his body functions from the neck down. Fighting to overcome this devastating accident will surely be the greatest battle of this young boy's life.

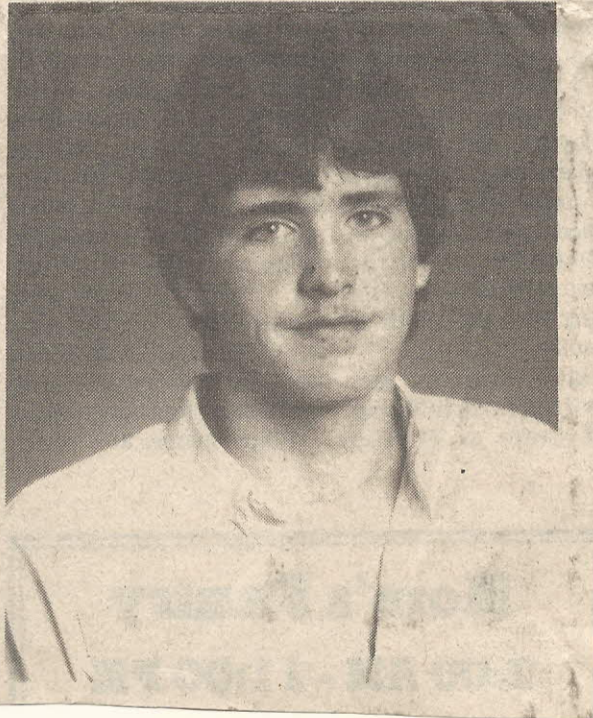
Chad, who is a rising junior at Spring Valley High School, is outgoing and athletic. He has enjoyed playing football for Hanberry Middle School, baseball for Hall's Auto and softball for Blythewood IGA. But, the accident has changed his life completely.

Chad must have a special van outfitted for him, as well as many other special devices, before he will be able to return home.

Community support is desperately needed to help pay for these expenses. Numerous kinds of funding have been started by churches, merchants, and private individuals, to help offset the tremendous costs.

At the Blythewood IGA, raffle tickets are being sold each week at one dollar (\$1) each to help defray medical costs. Items are raffled off weekly, and all proceeds will go towards Chad's expenses.

The community is asked to show support to the Sloan family by being a part of the fund-raising program. Please help them fight this terrible battle for Chad's future.



**WINNER** of the Fairfield County Recreation Commission essay contest titled "Why My Father Should Be Chosen Father of the Year" was Jane Blair Rabb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A.B. Rabb. Jane is a student at Richard Winn Academy. With Mr. and Mrs. Rabb and Jane are Matthew Seibles, chairman of the Recreation Commission, and Susan Sudol, program director. (H-I Photo)

### Mrs. Brandenburg

Lisa Hudson Brandenburg made the Dean's List at Winthrop College for the fall semester of 1985. She is a junior, and a 1981 graduate of Winnsboro High.

Mrs. Brandenburg, a special education major, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Hudson of Winnsboro.



Kimberly Brown

### Named Cadet

Kimberly A. Brown, a junior at Richard Winn Academy, has been named to the S.C. Law Enforcement Cadet Academy. The Academy is sponsored by the American Legion in cooperation with SLED.

The daughter of Michelle and Bruce Mazat, Miss Brown is a member of the school chorus, was a church camp worker in 1985, and was a 1985 participant of Camp Wildwood, and has been elected to return there for 1986. At Heathwood Hall, she was involved with the school's drama plays. She is a Beta Club member, and a staff member for the annual and school newspaper. She was also a nominee for the 1986 Girls' State.



Jason Collins

### Voted Friendly

Jason Collins, son of Jerry and Cathy Collins of West Columbia, was voted "friendliest" in his 8th grade class at Busbee Middle School. He also was the student of the month.

Jason is the grandson of Carrie Belle Collins of Winnsboro.

### at Furman

James H. (Jim) Flood, Jr., of Beck Middle School, Greenville, was among South Carolina seventh graders who participated in Duke University's sixth annual search for mathematically and verbally brilliant students. Flood was among those at a ceremony held at Furman University recently.

Jim also has received other recognition, including a first place award for his class in the American Junior High School Mathematics Competitions.

He is the son of Paulette and Jim Flood. His grandparents are Paul and Natalie Brigman of Winnsboro, and the Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Flood of Charleston.

# Guess Who Runs the Largest Food Service in the County!

By Mike Avery

It shouldn't be hard to guess the largest food preparer in Fairfield County. It isn't a fast food franchise on the by-pass, and it isn't a restaurant or a grocery store delicatessen.

It's the Fairfield County Public School system.

At the end of last year, Food Service Supervisor Martha Jolly and her secretary, Suzette Boyd, oversaw the feeding of up to 3,300 students in the county schools each day for lunch alone. That does not include 1,150 students in the breakfast programs at Gordon, Everett, Kelly-Miller, Geiger, the Child Development Center, and (this year) McCrorey-Liston.

The school system food service is required to provide one-third of the average student's daily nutritional requirements through school lunches.

A typical meal consists of a protein (meat or meat alternate), bread (or bread alternate), two vegetables, or a vegetable and a fruit, and milk. "We're not required to give them dessert," said Mrs. Jolly, although a dessert is served about once a week.

The menus are standardized, and the same meal is served in each school, with some variation once a

month when a "manager's choice" can be served. Mrs. Jolly's office determines the menu ahead three months at a time, planning the menus around predicted food availability from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and private suppliers. The USDA provides, on a subsidy basis, meat, hamburger, chicken, turkey, roast beef and pork. They also provide flour, rice, cornmeal, spaghetti, macaroni, peanut butter, and frozen and canned vegetables.

Last year, the school system received \$110,000 worth of food from the USDA, and spent \$465,000 of Food Service funds with private suppliers.

Amazingly, not a single dime of Fairfield County School District money is budgeted for the Food Service program. The cost of a full meal is 70 cents, while those students receiving subsidized meals pay only 40 cents (some receive free meals). Those tiny amounts of change are all the income the Food Service program has to operate on...to buy food from private suppliers; utensils for the kitchens, if needed; pay salaries of all 46 employees of the Food Service program (kitchen managers and help), including Mrs. Jolly's; and

even to buy tables if needed, as well as any other expenses that may arise with the program. "This is the only program in the district that is self-operating," said Mrs. Jolly. "It's amazing what can be done. We have to watch everything and manage well."

Each manager is required to have ten hours of training each summer to keep them up-to-date, and all attend a monthly meeting with Mrs. Jolly to keep abreast of any problems that may be occurring and to share ideas.

In addition, the state Department of Education holds a Skills in Food Service Techniques (SIFT) workshop every summer, and Mrs. Jolly and her managers must attend to remain current on new equipment and small wares as well as nutritional ideas and other Food Services needs.

What does this all mean to the students? It means innovations like salad bars, potato bars, and other ideas to encourage their participation in the school food program. Children in the elementary schools are less fussy about how they get their nutrition, said Mrs. Jolly, while the teenagers are predictably more trendy in their eating habits. Teens' favorite foods are, without a doubt, hamburgers, hot

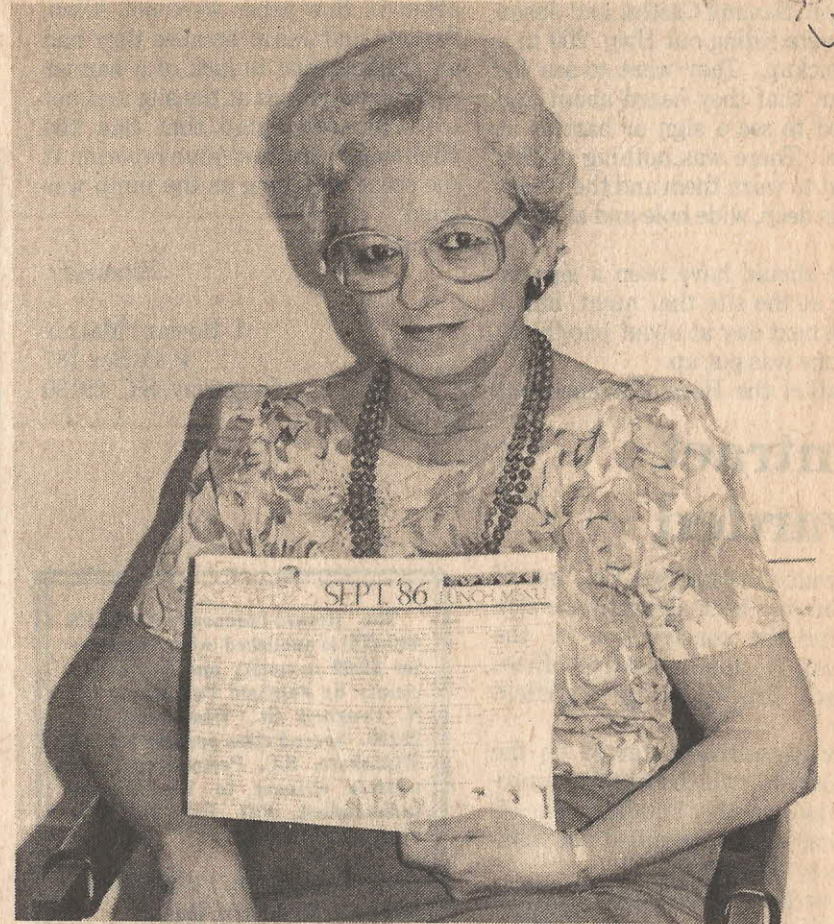
dogs, pizza and French fries, she said.

"I think that's universal for teenagers," she said, adding, "I don't think ours are any different from any you'd find anywhere". The trick is to get those teenagers to eat more healthful food, and that's where the Food Service meets the challenge with innovative ideas.

The Food Service staff is required to stay in touch with the students and parents to see if their needs are being met. Many is the time Mrs. Jolly has sat at a table in a school cafeteria to question students on their likes and dislikes.

For those students whose parents cannot afford to pay full price for a meal, food is available at a reduced rate, or sometimes free, depending on the student's family income. Each application must be filled out with financial information that is examined by the school principals and Food Service staff of two, to determine eligibility.

The Food Service program is a big business when it comes to feeding the youth of the county, and it takes every step to ensure the students in the public schools receive proper nutrition while in the school system's care.



PLANS MENUS — Martha Jolly, Fairfield County Schools Food Service supervisor, shows off the first menu of the school year. The Food Service office plans the school menus for nutritious meals. (Photo by Mike Avery)

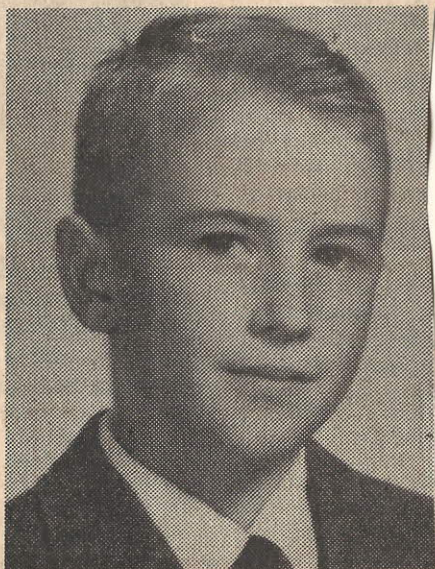
## Fairfield's Own Astronaut

Fairfield County can lay claim to one of the astronauts in training for the space program.

Frank Lee Culbertson, Jr., 37, lived in Ridgeway with his family in the 1960s, and attended Ridgeway Elementary School and Winnsboro High. Frank, Jr., was the only boy in a family of five, and the Culbertsons moved here when St. Stephen's Episcopal Church at Ridgeway recruited the senior Culbertson, a physician, to attend the medical needs of the Ridgeway community.

The Culbertsons came to Fairfield in May of 1960, and Frank, Jr., finished the 5th grade, then attended 6th and 7th grades at Ridgeway Elementary. He attended the 8th and 9th grades at Winnsboro High. His high school records bear out that he was an excellent student; Frances Haslett remembers that Frank was the lab mate of her daughter Lou, and that Lou came home singing his praises.

The Culbertsons lived on



Frank Culbertson, Jr.  
In 9th Grade at WHS

Ridgeway's main street until about 1965, when they moved to Holly Hill, where the senior Culbertsons still live.

By Mike Avery

Ben Freeman is the new head football coach at Fairfield Central High School.

He is a native of Marion, North Carolina, and attended Wake Forest, where he played football as a center. He graduated in 1982 with a major in Social Studies education.

His first coaching position was at Brevard High School in Brevard, N.C., where he was assistant football coach for three years and boys' basketball coach for two, from 1983 to 1984. The Brevard team was state champions in 1982.

He was athletic director and head football coach at Denmark-Olar in 1985, during a rebuilding year.

He and his wife of four and-a-half years, Andrea, are selling their house in Columbia and moving to Winnsboro. They have a daughter, Elizabeth, two and-a-half.

He will teach government and economics, in addition to his coaching duties.

"The boys are working hard," he



COACH FREEMAN

said, adding that he hopes to have about 35 players on the team.

Lebanon Volunteer Fire Department Chief Gunnar Rambo shows off some fire equipment to elementary students at Richard Winn Academy. The students really enjoyed the visit, and were wide-eyed with interest. (H—I Photo)



# Mildred Brown Has Taught Kindergarten for 28 Years

By Becky Wooten

For twenty-eight years Mildred Brown has smiled into the faces of four and five year olds every morning as she taught kindergartens across the county.

Next fall will be different for her as she joins the ranks of the retired and bids the friendly, innocent faces of youngsters farewell.

For the last eight years, Mrs. Brown has been the owner and operator of the Busy Bee kindergarten located on W. Moultrie Street. Her trek down the preschool lane began in the Fifties at Greenbrier, teaching children there, and then led her to the old Mt. Zion School, Richard Winn Academy, and finally, to Busy Bee Kindergarten.

"It's been very rewarding," Mrs. Brown admits, "it's so gratifying what you can get from children, watching them learn. I've had my moments of regretting the decision to retire but in my heart I know it's the right thing."

On her agenda for the summer is what she terms "my retirement present to myself", which is a three-week trip to California with a Travel Club. "I want to travel now that I will have the time. My son and I also want to build a log cabin on our

Winnsboro Reservoir property," she added.

Mrs. Brown has observed that children, while basically the same in so many ways over the years, seem to need more discipline now than they once did. "Children are by-in-large wiser these days than when I first began," she observed, "I guess the changing lifestyles and television have something to do with this."

Having taught for twenty-eight years, Mrs. Brown has had the opportunity to be kindergarten teacher to two generations of children. "In recent years I have taught the children of some of my earliest students. It's so interesting to pick out the traits in these little ones that I first learned with their parents," Mrs. Brown concluded.

While she would encourage anyone with a large dose of patience to try their hand at teaching four and five-year olds, Mildred Brown would be the first to admit that the job "has its moments". She recalls fondly the funnier, happier experiences and has forgotten the times of frustration and patience-testing that dealing with children brings.

Having purchased the Busy Bee Kindergarten from Mrs. Brown is Mrs. Beverly Hooper, a resident of Winnsboro for several years, but a native of Columbus, Ohio.

Mrs. Hooper has served in several capacities in the county working with children, including jobs at the Nazarene Day Care, as a teacher's aide at Gordon Elementary School, and as a substitute for both public schools and the private academy, Richard Winn.

While a resident of Columbia, Mrs. Hooper worked in three-day care facilities and was director of one prior to her move to Winnsboro.

"I'm very excited about owning the Busy Bee Kindergarten. Mrs. Brown has done such a good job with it, the reputation is there," Mrs. Hooper says, adding, "to me working with children offers a lot for yourself. Children fulfill needs of love that you don't even know you have until you are around them."

Known to many school-aged children in the county as "Miss Beverly", she plans to maintain much of the curriculum that Mildred Brown devised for the Busy Bee school with only a few minor changes.

"Having worked with Mrs. Vonnie Stevenson at Gordon Elementary, I learned so much. She has given me some assistance with curriculum since she is working on a statewide committee to devise standards for



MILDRED BROWN AND SOME OF HER BUSY BEE FRIENDS

four and five-year olds," Mrs. Hooper explained.

"I have the Lippincott Series and AlphaTime books for the students because I know how important it is for children to be prepared for first grade. I am also beginning a math series for four and five-year olds," she said.

With training in the Montessori School of Education, Mrs. Hooper said that the Busy Bee Kindergarten may adopt a modified Montessori approach. An example of a modified Montessori would be to add tweezers and dried beans to the play area to encourage practice in hand-eye coordination skills.

Mrs. Hooper is hoping to fill all twenty spaces by June first. She lists the cost per month as \$50, adding that this is for the nine months of the year. Mrs. Hooper has plans for the outside trim work on the building to sport a new coat of paint and the floors to be covered in new carpet.

Anyone interested in enrolling their preschoolers in the Busy Bee Kindergarten for the 1986-87 school year can contact Mrs. Hooper at 635-5298.

As one woman leaves her 28-year identity as a kindergarten teacher behind to assume a new identity, another teacher takes over with the strong desire to continue the educational-type atmosphere begun years before.

Both women hope that the benefit of their efforts will be realized in the preparation of the children to become well-adjusted, contributing adults.



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# Back to the 'Boro

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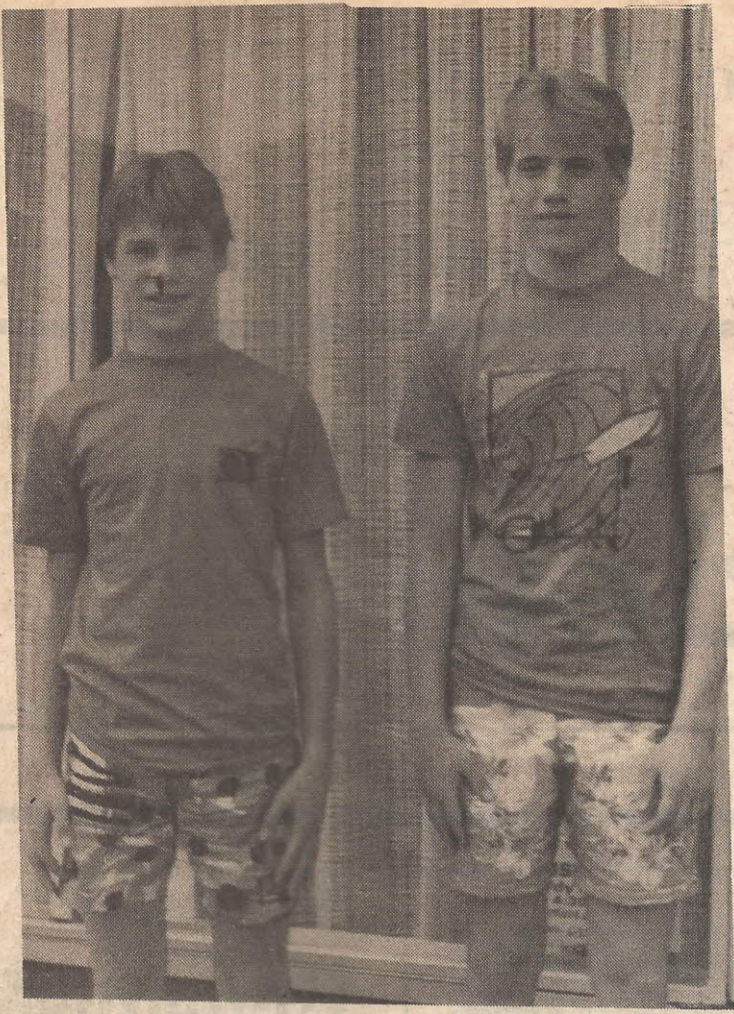
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MISS CATHCART



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MISS RUFF

## Debut at 32nd Christmas Ball

The Winnsboro Cotillion held its 32nd annual Christmas Ball Friday evening at the National Guard Armory. Three debutante daughters of club members were presented.

They are: Abigail Wentworth Cathcart, daughter of Mrs. Lee Randall Cathcart and Mr. William Estes Cathcart. She is the granddaughter of Dean and Mrs. Charles Henry Randall, Jr. of Columbia and Mrs. Sabritt Dunn Cathcart of Winnsboro and the late Mr. Cathcart. Her escort was Ronald Scott Barefield of Winnsboro, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Carter Barefield, Jr. of Winnsboro. Her marshal was Rodney Adrian Wilkes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Russell Wilkes of Winnsboro.

Ruth Anne Doty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hanahan Doty, Jr. She is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Fredrick Lockhart Mays of Columbia and the late Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hanahan Doty of Winnsboro. Her escort was Eric Mathew Johnson of Summerville, son of Mr. and Mrs. David H. Johnson of Summerville. Her marshal was Fredrick Lockhart Mays Doty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hanahan Doty, Jr. of Winnsboro.

Agnes Macfie Ruff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Woodward Ruff, Jr. She is the granddaughter of the late Mr.

and Mrs. William Gonzales Powers of Winnsboro and Mr. Thomas Woodward Ruff of Winnsboro and the late Mrs. Ruff. Her escort was Robert Brice Stidham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Stidham of Winnsboro. Her marshal was Samuel Wylie Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. David H. Wright of Winnsboro.

Members and guests were greeted by the Cotillion president, Joe J. Stephenson and Mrs. Stephenson, the debutantes and their parents. Following the reception, the young women were introduced by the club president and presented by their fathers. Dancing and dinner followed the presentation.

Other Cotillion officers are Mr. Richard M. Sprott, vice-president; Mrs. Ripley W. Clarkson, secretary; and Mr. Roy G. Barnett, treasurer.

Committees for the 1986 ball were as follows: orchestra - Spencer R. McMaster, chairman, and Ernest P. Ferguson decorations, Mr. and Mrs. H.G. Phillips, Jr., chairmen, and Mr. and Mrs. William Royston Doty, Mr. and Mrs. W.L.E. Frazier, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Porter, and Dr. and Mrs. Gordon R. Weigle; dinner, Lt. Col. and Mrs. Ralph W. Boys, chairmen, and Mr. and Mrs. John P. Harrison; bar, B. Brock Williams, chairman, and Larry B. Stevenson; reservations, Dr. and Mrs.

Charles O. Williams, chairmen, and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon L. Doty and Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Stephenson III; and debutantes, Mrs. Thomas Woodward Ruff, Jr.

### Parties

Mrs. Lee Cathcart and

Miss Louise Cathcart entertained the debutantes, their escorts and marshals, and friends at a champagne breakfast at the Cathcarts' Lake Wateree home following the Cotillion.

The house was decorated with the traditional Christmas motifs.

## Makes Debut

The 1986 Colonial Ball of the South Carolina Society, Sons of the American Revolution, was held Saturday, August 16, at the Radisson Hotel in Columbia.

Glenda Elizabeth Geiger of Sandy Run Community, Swansea, was one of the twenty-two debutantes, all straight lineal descendants of patriots who served during the Revolutionary War, making her debut.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Marion Geiger of Sandy Run. (Mrs. Geiger is the former Elizabeth Beckham of Winnsboro). Glenda is the granddaughter of John Franklin Geiger, Sr. and the late Gladys Gasque Geiger of Sandy Run; also a granddaughter of Mary Steadman Beckham of Ridgeway and the late Wallace Dixon Beckham of Winnsboro.

She was presented by her father and escorted by Stuart Crockett Mims, III of Edgefield. Glenda is a student at Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College in Orangeburg.



MISS GLENDA ELIZABETH GEIGER



MISS MARGARET CARYL GELZER



MISS PERRY ELIZABETH RENWICK

## Two Make Debut at Colonial Ball

The 1986 Colonial Ball of the South Carolina Society, Sons of the American Revolution, was held Saturday, August 16, at the Radisson Hotel in Columbia. At that time, twenty-two debutantes, all straight lineal descendants of patriots of the Revolutionary War, were presented. Among them

were two young ladies with Fairfield County connections.

Making her debut was Miss Margaret Caryl Gelzer of Quinby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Randell Edwin Gelzer. She is the granddaughter of Dr. and Mrs. Cliff Hill McLeod (nee Margaret Lee Harden) of Sumter and great-

granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Means Harden, Jr. of Winnsboro. She was presented by her great-uncle, Mr. John Means Harden, III, and escorted by Mr. Charles Milford Jordan, Jr.

Miss Perry Elizabeth Renwick, Winnsboro, daughter of Mrs. Harold McGill Renwick, Jr., and

the late Captain Harold McGill Renwick, Jr. She is the granddaughter of Mr.

and Mrs. Joe Ketchin Cathcart and Mr. and Mrs. Harold M. Renwick of Winnsboro. She was presented by her grandfather and escorted by Mr. Wayne Mike Robinson.

## Golden Reception

1986  
The children and grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Reid F. Long of Blair entertained with a reception at Salem Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall honoring them on their 50th wedding anniversary.

Greeting the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Burley and Mrs. Hannie Ragsdale. Keeping the register were Mrs. Sarah O. Wright and Mrs. Alice McMillan.

The guests were presented to the receiving line, which was composed of Mr. and Mrs. Reid Long, their children and their children's spouses - Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bigham, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Reid Harrison Long, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Long and grandsons, Bob Bigham Jr. and Bill Long.

Helping serve were granddaughters Julie Bigham, Laura and Heather Long. Pouring punch were granddaughters Missy Long and Mrs. Bob Bigham, Jr.

The beautiful anniversary cake was made and decorated by Mrs. Marion Burley, who cut and served it to the guests after they had served themselves from the bountiful supply of delicious food. The fellowship hall was beautifully decorated throughout.

After renewing old friendships and making new friends the guests said their good-byes to Mr. and Mrs. George Goodson. Approximately 200 guests attended the gala affair.



MR. AND MRS. S. ROY MONTGOMERY

## Celebrate Anniversary

1985  
On Saturday, October 11, between the hours of 3:00 and 5:00, Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Hall and Mr. and Mrs. Leroy I. Montgomery, Lee and Will Montgomery honored their parents and grandparents, who were celebrating their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

The Woman's Club Building was tastefully decorated with the many lovely floral arrangements in hues of gold and white, which were gifts to the honorees from their friends.

The tables were overlaid with imported lace covers from which the guests served themselves to party foods.

Mesdames Virginia Startzman, Wanda Marthers, and Mitt Stevenson served the punch. The register was kept by Mesdames Annette Clowney and Annette Roland. Mrs. Marie Burley baked, decorated and served the four-tiered cake. Mr. and Mrs. James Bankhead, Mr. and Mrs. John Kelly, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sanders were floating hostesses.

The guests were greeted by Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Hall and Mr. and Mrs. Leroy I. Montgomery. Goodbyes were said to Mr. and Mrs. John Kelly.

## Golden Anniversary

1985  
Mr. and Mrs. William Preston Wilkerson (nee Elizabeth McLendon) of Columbia celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on December 24.

They were married in Winnsboro on December 24, 1935.

A drop-in to honor them on their anniversary was given by their children, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Wilkerson of Tampa, Fla., and Mr. and Mrs. H. Leverne Wilkerson of Lexington.

## Satterfields Celebrate Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Satterfield of Winnsboro celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on January 18. They were married in Charleston on January 18, 1936.

A drop-in to honor them was given by family and friends at the Fairfield Country Club on January 18.

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MR. AND MRS. LEROY BAKER

## Celebrate Anniversary

On March 2, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Baker (nee Minnie Lee Marthers) were honored on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary by their children. All nine children were present.

The Bakers' children are: Lindsay Baker of Abbeville, Cmdr. Carolyn Baker, USN, of Portsmouth, Va., Mrs. Louise Baker Rambo of Laurens, Rev. Wesley Baker of Homestead, Fla., Harold Baker of Goose Creek, Mrs. Rachel Baker Ross of Marietta, Ga., Mrs. Mary Baker Croft of West Columbia, Miss Juanita Baker of Florence, and Franklin Baker of Washington, D.C.

The couple renewed their marriage vows at the Winnsboro Church of God. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. Eugene Hancock. A reception was held at the church fellowship hall, attended by over one hundred friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker were the recipients of many lovely gifts and congratulations, including a message from President and Mrs. Ronald Reagan.

## Smith-Ashford Wedding



MRS. CHARLES DAVID SMITH



MR. AND MRS. BLEASE McLENDON

## 50th Anniversary

On January 18, Mr. and Mrs. Blease (Rhuel Pullen) McLendon were honored on their 50th wedding anniversary, by their children, Levonne McLendon, Gaston; Mrs. Joel (Brenda McLendon) Hiott, Dillon; Gerald McLendon and Mrs. Robert (Barbara McLendon) Hiott of Walterboro; and their grandchildren.

A reception was held at the Church of God Fellowship Hall from 3 until 5 p.m. Approximately 100 friends and relatives dropped by to offer their congratulations and best wishes to the couple.

The guests served themselves to a plentiful variety of party foods. The three-tiered cake was served by Mrs. Brenda Hiott while Mrs. Peggy McLendon and Mrs. Barbara Hiott served the punch.

Mr. and Mrs. McLendon were the recipients of many lovely gifts.

Miss Linda Ann Ashford and Mr. Charles David Smith were united in marriage on Saturday, June 28, at 7 o'clock in the evening at College Place United Methodist Church, Columbia. The Reverend Phillip C. Thrailkill officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Robert Eugene Ashford and the late Mr. Ashford. She was graduated from Columbia College with a B.A. degree in Mathematics. While at Columbia College, she served as vice-chairman of the Dormitory Council and was named to "Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities." She is employed as an account representative with Policy Management Systems Corporation in Blythewood.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Emory Smith of Winnsboro. He received a B.A. degree from Spartanburg Methodist College and a B.S. degree in Business Management from the University of South Carolina. While at Spartanburg, he was named to "Who's Who Among American Junior Colleges and Universities." He is employed by the Engineering Department of Charm Corporation in Ridgeway.

Mrs. John V. Nicholson, Jr., organist, presented a program of classical and sacred music, accompanied by Mr. Lavonne Bazemore on the trumpet for the processional, recessional and one duet. Mr. and Mrs. Monnie S. Hatcher also accompanied the organist on the handbells for one duet. Mr. Harold Ray Brooks of Columbia was soloist.

The bride was escorted by her uncle, Lewis C. Ashford. She wore her sister's formal gown of candlelight silk organza. The sheer yoke was accented with French Chantilly lace and formed a wedding band neckline. The gown also featured long, full bishop's sleeves made of matching Chantilly lace. Attached to the full skirt was a chapel length train edged with lace and crystal pleating. Her chapel-length veil was made of bridal illusion edged with matching Chantilly lace attached to a lace and seed pearl Camelot cap. The bride carried a full cascade bouquet of white orchids, white roses, baby's breath and cushion pom-poms.

Mrs. Gail Ashford Hinant, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Marcia Susan Ashford of Columbia, Miss Deirdre Elaine Green of Charlotte, both cousins of the bride; Mrs. Tammy Enloe Smith of Winnsboro, sister-in-law



MR. AND MRS. BOONE

## 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Baxter Boone of Winnsboro celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family and friends on April 13.

A reception at Stephen Greene Baptist Church was given by their children, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Boone of Kannapolis, N.C., and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bergman of Irmo.

of the groom; Miss Nancy Jane Medlin of Winnsboro, cousin of the groom; Miss Shelia Nance Gowdy of Columbia and Mrs. Carmen Glenn Barnes of Erhardt.

Mr. Charles Emory Smith of Winnsboro served as his son's best man. Usher-groomsman were Thomas Ward Smith of Winnsboro, brother of the groom; Kenneth Wayne Haney of Winnsboro, Thomas Edward Keating of Kannapolis, Morse William Poston, III of Aiken, all cousins of the groom; Thad Bryant Hinant, II of Columbia, brother-in-law of the bride and Lee W. Thompson of Winnsboro.

Miss Laura Marie Poston, cousin of the groom, was flowergirl. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morse William Poston, III of Aiken.

Master Phillip Daniel Thrailkill was ringbearer. He is the son of the Reverend and Mrs. Phillip

C. Thrailkill of Columbia.

Jerry Heath Cope, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry L. Cope of Winnsboro, served as acolyte.

A reception followed the ceremony at the Keenan House. Guests were greeted by Mr. and Mrs. J.

Pope Brooks, Jr. of Winnsboro. Miss Terry McCarrell of Greenville attended the bride's register.

Miss Jill Fairey of Hilton Head, Mrs. Myra Mattox, Mrs. Lib Medlin and Mrs. Julie Joye, all of Winnsboro, and Mrs. Kay Brinkley of Columbia, served refreshments. The wedding cake was served by Mrs. Vicky Kelly and Miss Gina Kelly of Winnsboro. Goodbyes were said by Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Boney of Columbia.

During the evening the couple left for a wedding trip to Barbados, West Indies. They will reside in Winnsboro.



MRS. ERIC EDWARD GOODSON

## Wed at Clemson

The wedding of Miss Sara Jaudon Barnett and Mr. Eric Edward Goodson was solemnized at 7:30 o'clock Saturday evening, December 13, in the Clemson United Methodist Church. The Rev. Mickey Fisher officiated, using the double-ring ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Jackson Barnett of Clemson, and the bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Marilyn Noel and Mr. Edward McMillan Goodson of Greenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Baylis English Lyles of Winnsboro are the maternal grandparents of the bride. She is also the granddaughter of the late Verlin Eller Barnett and Mrs. Barnett of Ridgeway.

The wedding music was presented by Ms. Mary Alice Edmonds, organist, and Mr. Gregory Andre, flautist, and Miss Holly Dellinger, soloist.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was lovely in her formal length gown of ivory taffeta designed with a sweetheart neckline and scalloped by re-embroidered Alencon lace.

Miss Michelle Campbell of Saint Stephens, was flower girl. Charles E. Hedgepath of Columbia, cousin of the bride, was ring bearer.

Mr. Edward McMillan Goodson, father of the bridegroom, was best man. Usher-groomsman were Messrs. William Jackson Barnett, Jr., of Edison,

The soft gathers at the shoulders created a slight pouf and tapered into a fitted sleeve which fastened with tiny self-covered buttons. Appliques of lace and pearls enhanced the molded bodice which had a slight dropped waist. The full gathered skirt swept into a cathedral train. To complement her gown, the bride chose a cathedral length veil of imported silk illusion attached to a Juliet cap accented with Alencon lace and seed pearls. The headpiece was trimmed on the side with dainty flower and pearl sprays and in the back with three satin rosettes. She carried a cascading bouquet of white roses, dendrobium orchids, freesia, bouvardia, leptospermum and ming fern.

Miss Carol Ann Copenhaver was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Misses Valrie Dawn Barnett of Columbia, cousin of the bride; Jennifer Louise Beha of Fairfax Station, Va., cousin of the bride; Miriam Patricia and Margaret Birley Hedgepath of Columbia, cousins of the bride; Ann Paula Holstein of Charlotte, N.C., cousin of the bridegroom; Richard Rhodes of Rock Hill; Dana Scott Williams of Baltimore, Md., Andrew Martin Smith of Seneca; and Ross Alan Bazzle of Clemson.

Immediately following the ceremony, the bride's parents hosted the reception at Clemson University Alumni Center.

## Camp-Baxley



MRS. PHILLIP TROY CAMP

Miss Vicki Denise Baxley and Phillip Troy Camp were married on Saturday, August 2, at 4 p.m., in Southeast Baptist Church, Greensboro, N.C. Dr. Roger B. Gilbert officiated at the ceremony.

A program of nuptial music was presented by Mrs. Dawn Ritchie, organist, and Mr. Jim Wrenn, soloist.

The bride, escorted to the altar by her father, wore a wedding gown of white silk organza over taffeta underlay, designed with a Queen Anne neckline, fitted bodice, and full billowy sleeves. The full skirt ended in a chapel train; all was detailed with Rachelle lace, and the gown was bordered by a triple ruffle of the to a fingertip veil of illusion and carried a cascading bouquet of white roses, lavender freesia, mini-white carnations, English ivy, Italian ruscus and baby's breath.

Miss Lisa Baugus of Greensboro, N.C. was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Jill Hermanson of Myrtle Beach, Mrs. Audrey Thompson of Greenville, N.C., and Miss Terri Camp of Mt. Pleasant, sister of the groom.

The registrar was Miss Paula Thomas of Burlington, N.C.

The groom had his father as best man. Usher-groomsman were William Camp of Shelby, brother of the groom; Danny Almond of Concord, N.C.; and Tracy Camp of Mt. Pleasant, brother of the groom.

Following the ceremony, the bride's parents entertained at a reception in the fellowship hall of the church. Assisting with the reception were Mrs. Peggy Elmore, Mrs. Sandy Coe, and Mrs. Charlotte Inge, all of Greensboro.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie H. Baxley, Jr. Mrs. Baxley is the former Jackie Dominy of Winnsboro. The bride is a graduate of Southeast High School and received an associate degree in medical secretarial administration from Chowan College, Murfreesboro, N.C., and an associate in medical assisting from Wingate College.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Mt. Pleasant High School, and is employed by Eudy Drywall of Concord, N.C.

After a trip to the North Carolina mountains, the couple will reside in Charlotte.

### White-Beasley

#### WINNSBORO

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert E. Lail of Ridgeway announce the engagement of their daughter, Robin Felicia White, and Darin Lynn Beasley, son of Buddy Beasley and Mrs. Anne Beasley, both of Winnsboro. The bride-elect is also the daughter of the late Roger C. White.

The wedding is planned for Oct. 18 at First Baptist Church of Winnsboro.



MRS. SMITH

#### Crystal Berry

The bride is the daughter of Jonathan Willard Berry of Winnsboro and the late Ann Rye Berry. She is a 1982 graduate of Winnsboro High School and is a senior at the University of South Carolina where she is majoring in English with secondary certification. The bride is employed by Revco Drug Store in Winnsboro and the South Carolina State Senate.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Richard Smith of Winnsboro. He is a 1982 graduate of Winnsboro High School and is employed by Manhattan Shirt Company in Winnsboro.



MRS. JOHN THOMAS BASS, JR.

## Bass-Smith Vows are Exchanged

Miss Lisa Ann Smith and John Thomas Bass, Jr., exchanged nuptial vows on Saturday, January 25, at the home of the bride. The two o'clock ceremony was performed by the Rev. William H. Bynum.

Mrs. Dorcas Anderson offered a program of nuptial music.

Darryl Peake served as the groom's best man.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Jenny M. Elliott, stepsister of the bride; and maid of honor was the bride's sister, Miss Kim Smith.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, J. Edward Smith, was lovely in her mother's gown of Chantilly lace and nylon tulle with illusion yoke outlined in motifs of lace, sequins and iridescent beads, long sleeves ending in calla lily points, fitted bodice of lace and bouffant skirt of tulle over satin with ring designs of lace, ending in a cathedral train. Her fingertip veil was attached to a crown of seed pearls.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride.

The bride is the daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Smith, and of the late Mrs. Claudette Smith. She is a graduate of Winnsboro High School and is now employed by Belk Beauty Salon at Columbia Mall as assistant manager.

The bridegroom is the son of Dora Banks Bass of Ridgeway and John Thomas Bass of Camden. He is a graduate of Winnsboro High School and is employed by Merritt Holland in West Columbia.

After a wedding trip to Hilton Head, the couple will reside in Ridgeway.



MISS BERRY, MR. SMITH

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MRS. REX RALEY BRANHAM

## Branham-Varnadore Vows are Exchanged

Miss Wanda Annette Varnadore and Rex Raley Branham exchanged vows on December 13, at 3:30 p.m., at the home of the bridegroom's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Branham, in Winnsboro.

Elder Charles E. LeGrand officiated at the

double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Harper and the late Arthur M. Varnadore of Great Falls.

Mr. Branham's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Garris M. Ladd of Winnsboro.

The groom had as best man Mr. Dennis Branham of Ridgeway.

Mrs. Georgene Proctor of Winnsboro was the matron of honor.

The bride was escorted by her stepfather, Mr. L.C. Harper. She wore a formal wedding gown of white sheer organza over taffeta, accented with Chantilly lace and pearls. The gown was designed with a high neckline heavily appliqued with medallions accented with pearls. The fitted bodice was attractively appliqued, also in matching lace. The sleeves were pouffed, with ruffled edges. The A-line skirt was accented with matching lace medallions and the skirt featured a double frill which extended around the chapel length train. The bride completed her outfit with a waltz length veil of silk illusion and matching lace. The Camelot headpiece was fashioned of matching lace and pearls. The veil also featured a lace border. She carried a bouquet of silk flowers with white roses, royal blue daisies, white stephanotis bordered with lace and white ribbon made by Mrs. Betty Hensley.

Assisting with serving were Ms. Phyllis Wilson, Mrs. Shirley Branham, Ms. Debbie Gibson, and Mrs. Susan Harsey.

After a short wedding trip, the couple will reside in Winnsboro.



MRS. TERRY GENE SHIPTON

## United in Marriage

Miss Elizabeth (Lucy) Branham and Mr. Terry Gene Shipton were united in marriage on August 2, in Washington Street Baptist Church. The Rev. Paul Nix officiated at the ceremony.

A program of nuptial music was provided by Mrs. Dennis Marthers, organist, and Miss Lynn Johnson, soloist.

Mr. Herbert Brazell, father of the groom, was best man, and ushers-groomsmen were Tommy Brazell, brother of the groom; Randy Broach, cousin of the groom; Freeman Broach, cousin of the groom; Billy Baker of Lugoff; and Wesley Jones of Winnsboro.

Master Michael McManus, nephew of the bride, was ring bearer.

Miss Hope LeGrand was maid of honor, and bridesmaids were Misses Stacey Hill, Jill Rutland, Tammy Jones, cousin of the bride, and Mrs. Donna Bedwell, sister-in-law of the bride, all of Winnsboro.

Little Miss Missy McManus, the bride's niece, was flower girl.

The bride, given in marriage by her parents,

wore a formal wedding gown fashioned of frothy polyester sheer with jeweled Alencon lace panels, and featuring a modified V-neck, V-bodice, and front skirt. The straight sleeves of jeweled Alencon lace featured lettuce leaf ruffles. The cascading train was edged with the lettuce leaf ruffles and sprinkled with lace medallions. Her picture hat of Alencon lace was dotted with pearls and sheer netting. The cascading bouquet was of white tea roses, lavender spider mums and English ivy and lavender and white streamers.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the church fellowship hall. The bride's register was kept by Ms. Janice Walker.

The bride is a 1986 graduate of Winnsboro High School, and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Branham.

The bridegroom is also a graduate of Winnsboro High, and is employed by Standard Products. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Brazell.

The couple will reside in Winnsboro.

## Miss Branham, Mr. Team



MRS. ROBERT STEPHEN TEAM

Miss Marsha Lynn Branham and Robert Stephen Team were united in marriage on June 7, in Wateree Baptist Church. The Rev. Sam Byrum officiated at the ceremony.

A program of nuptial music was presented by Joyce McDonald, pianist, and Richard Cameron, vocalist.

The groom's father was best man, and groomsmen were Johnny Chandler, head usher; and Terry Segars, Phil Arledge, Alan Team, brother of the groom, all of Camden.

Ms. Susan Harsey of Winnsboro was matron of honor. Bridal attendants were June Branham, sister-in-law of the bride; Debbie Gibson and Phyllis Wilson of Winnsboro, and

Windi Dixon of Camden. Emily Reeves of Camden, cousin of the groom, was flower girl.

The bride, given in marriage by her mother and step-father, was radiant in an ivory wedding gown of re-embroidered Alencon lace, Venise lace and organza flowers, featuring a blossom bodice, double capelet lace sleeves, and separate basque waistline. The satin belt was trimmed with flowers. The skirt was tea-length. Her headpiece was a chapeau style pill box with seed pearls, lace, and featuring a fingertip veil. Her bouquet was a cascade of stephanotis and lilies-of-the-valley, intertwined with ivy and lace ribbon.

Mrs. Team, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Owens E. Cook and the late Garris O. Branham, is a graduate of Winnsboro High School. She is employed with Standard Products, Inc., at Winnsboro.

Mr. Team, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen C. Team, is a graduate of Camden High School and attended Spartanburg Methodist College. He is employed by Wateree Textiles, Inc., at Lugoff.

After a wedding trip to the mountains of North Carolina, the couple is residing in Camden.

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### Bozard-Mattox

#### RIDGEWAY

Miss Rebecca Ann Mattox and John Michael Bozard were united in marriage Saturday at First Baptist Church of Ridgeway. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Bill Bynum, and followed by a reception at the Century House in Ridgeway.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Howard Mattox of Ridgeway, is a graduate of Richard Winn Academy. She is pursuing a degree in nursing at the University of South Carolina at Lancaster and is employed by Fairfield Memorial Hospital in Winnsboro.

The bridegroom, son of Mr. and Mrs. William David Bozard of Winns-



MRS. BOZARD

Rebecca Mattox

boro, is a graduate of Winnsboro High School. He received a B.S. degree in business administration from Presbyterian College in Clinton where he was named a member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity. He is employed by First Citizens Bank in Columbia and is a second lieutenant in the South Carolina Army National Guard.

After a wedding trip to The Cloister, Sea Island, Ga., the couple will reside in Winnsboro.