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## COUNTY NEWS AND HAPPENINGS.

### NEWSY LETTERS BY REGULAR CORRESPONDENTS

News Items of Interest to Herald Readers Ebb and Flow of the Human Tide.

**Kemper.**  
Misses Bettie and Olive Hayes spent the week end at Gaddys Mill with friends.

Mrs. Thomas Lewis and child of near Conway are spending a few days here with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Hayes and little son spent Sunday here with relatives.

Mr. Thomas Rozier of Floydale spent the week end here with his mother.

Miss Mamie Bryant of Floydale spent the week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Bryant.

Mr. Maxey Bryant spent the week end at Wrightsville Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Brewer and children spent Sunday at Wrights-Beach.

Miss Bessie Smith spent Sunday at the Beach.

Mrs. Gernie Hayes and little daughter spent last Wednesday and Thursday in Lake View with friends.

Mr. Murray Ford and sister of Nichols were in town Sunday.

Miss Etten Bryant and brother, John, were in Dillon Saturday.

**Sellers.**  
Miss Kathleen Sellers is spending some time with her sisters, Misses Annie and Leila Sellers at Washington, D. C.

Mr. Ernest Page and family with Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Sellers and son John C. spent several days at Myrtle Beach last week.

Mr. H. W. Ritch and family with Mr. and Mrs. Ben B. Sellers left in a car for Oriental, N. C. on last Wednesday. Mr. Ritch expects to be gone for a month during which time he will visit Asheville, New York City and other points of interest.

Mrs. D. E. Oliver and children have returned from a pleasant visit to relatives in North Carolina.

Mr. Underwood and family attended church services at Marion Sunday night.

Mr. Corey Watson and family of Savannah, Ga., visited relatives here recently.

**MARRIED IN FRANCE**

The following announcement of the marriage of Mr. Boyd Stackhouse, a son of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Stackhouse, who formerly resided in Dillon, will be of interest to many of the Herald's readers:

"Robert Boyd Stackhouse, a nephew of T. B. Stackhouse and a cousin of A. S. Manning of Columbia, is on his way to the United States with a French bride whom he will take direct to the summer home of his parents in Saluda.

"Young Mrs. Stackhouse was formerly Mlle. Antoinette Potier, daughter of Monsieur and Madame Potier of No. 2 Rue Sainte-Marie, Le Mans, France, and the wedding took place at 10:30 o'clock on August 12, at the Temple Evangelique, in Le Mans.

"The bride is a cultured and talented young woman and her husband's relatives are looking forward to welcoming her into the family circle. The young people met while Mr. Stackhouse was on overseas duty with the American army, and he returned this summer to culminate the romance which began at that time.

"Invitations to the wedding were received by the bridegroom's relatives and friends in Columbia. They were, of course, in French and, according to the custom prevailing in that country, were issued in the name of the bridegroom's parents as well as in the bride's.

"The young couple will make their home in Americus, Ga."

**SEARCHING FOR SOLDIER WHO KILLED FARMER.**

Former Service Man Slays Man Who Married Girl He Loved.

Durham, Aug. 23—Posses in Durham and Person counties are tonight searching for Claud Bowles, an ex-soldier, who late Sunday afternoon shot and killed Thebert Ellis, a prosperous young farmer of Person county, who wooed and married the girl he loved. The shooting took place near the home of the girl's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pomp Day, two miles north of the Durham-Person county line, with Mrs. Ellis the only witness.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis, according to officers, had stopped their machine to inspect a tobacco barn. Returning to the car.

Almost simultaneously Bowles arose from a wood pile, drew his gun and shot Ellis. Ellis fell underneath the car. Mrs. Ellis seeing that Bowles was about to fire a second time, fell across her wounded husband. Bowles roughly threw her aside and at close range fired a second and fatal shot. Ellis was dead when help arrived and Bowles had made his escape.

After the shooting, Mrs. Ellis ran to a nearby church and rang the church bell to call assistance. When help arrived she swooned. She is prostrated with grief. It is said.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Hargrove, Miss Sara Hargrove, Mrs. J. A. Moore, Miss Emily Moore and Roy Edwards left Sunday night for New York where they will spend several days sight-seeing.

## PARTY FOR VISITOR.

Miss Julia Hamer entertained some of the younger set with a party on Friday evening in honor of her attractive guest, Miss Myrtle Tyson, of Georgetown. The hostess was assisted in receiving and entertaining her guests by her sister, Miss Grace Hamer, Misses Annie May Thompson and Mary Cottingham. After a number of interesting games had been played delicious refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. The following young folks enjoyed the occasion:

Misses Marion Richardson, North Boston, Mass., Kate Gaddy, Mable Croxton, Fannie Sue Bethea, Mildred Carmichael, Marie Thompson, Bertha Fass, Margary Caldwell, May McCormack, Johnnie Thompson, Keller Smith, John Jordan, Hugh Moore, James Hamer, Joe Taber, Hill Nettles, Marion Michaux, Melvin Nackman.

**Celebrate Tenth Anniversary.**

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. McLendon entertained a number of their friends at a tin wedding, a symbol of their tenth anniversary, at their home, on West Hampton street, on August 23, 1920. The house was beautifully decorated with flowers and ferns, and refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. A number of useful gifts were received.

The Ladies' Aid Society and Missionary Societies of the Presbyterian church met on Friday afternoon with Mrs. D. M. Dillon. After adjournment of business punch, cake and ice cream was served by the hostess.

The Rescue Workers of Dillon have adopted another five month's old child into a good home. This child was rescued by the Rescue Workers from the colored district in a certain town in North Carolina. The party who adopted the child was Mr. P. C. Jones. This makes two that we have rescued and adopted out in the last two weeks. We still have one more in our home one month old for adoption. Capt. Gibson will soon have a trained nurse in Dillon. Anyone desiring a trained nurse within the next 10 days will apply to Capt. Gibson, Rescue Workers. This lady is well recommended by the Cumberland General Hospital, Fayetteville, N. C.

Capt. B. Y. Gibson.

**FERTILIZER MEN TO VISIT DILLON.**

Sixty Salesmen Left New Orleans Sunday for Visit Through Pee Dee Section.

New Orleans, La., Aug. 23—Sixty fertilizer salesmen of Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas and Mississippi, left here Sunday en route to Florence, S. C. where they are to take a short course in soil fertility and make a tour of the surrounding territory to investigate the methods employed in fertilizing and cultivating crops.

This school is being held under the auspices of Southern Soil Improvement committee with headquarters in Atlanta and Shreveport, La. Instead of having the short course in the West as heretofore, the fertilizer salesmen have asked that the course be given in South Carolina in order that they might study the uses of fertilizers in a region where they are used in the greatest abundance, and with the largest returns to the farmer.

It is the purpose to hear lectures from the soil improvement committee staff for two days at Florence, and to spend two or three days in automobile tours of the farms in Florence, Darlington, Dillon and Marlboro counties. On this trip they will be in personal charge of Prof. J. N. Harper, former director of the South Carolina experiment improvement committee's work.

This school and excursion is for Western salesmen only. In September a salesmen's school for South Carolina fertilizer salesmen will be held in Charleston under joint auspices of Clemson college and the Southern soil improvement committee.

The Western party is in charge of E. K. Huey of New Orleans and J. T. Sinclair of Shreveport and in the party are some of the agricultural college workers of the Western territory who have been asked to take part in the program.

**FATHER NEPTUNE GIVES UP MYSTERIOUS PHIALS.**

Small Bottles Containing Hydrochloric Acid Believed to Have Been Lost in Torpedoing of Some Transport.

For the last two weeks there have been cast up along the Jersey and Long Island shores thousands of mysterious phials, filled with a white powder and hermetically sealed—phials which little children have found explode like miniature bombs when hurled against a rock.

From Sargit, N. J., as far north as Coney Island and Long Beach, these phials have been washed ashore.

Chemists announced the phials contained calcium hydrochloride, a preparation used to purify water.

Authorities were unable tonight to answer the question of how, about two years after fighting had ended, the phials came to be washed ashore.

The theory was advanced that mysterious ocean current had brought back to these shores, after two years, phials lost in the torpedoing of some transport on the other side of the Atlantic, for proof has been obtained that sealed bottles cast overboard from ships have traveled the world around.

## CLOSING WORLD MARKETS TO COTTON

Central Europe Needing Cotton While Bears Beat Price Down

Columbia, Aug. 24.—Telegrams pouring into headquarters of the American Cotton Association demonstrate the fact that it is fully realized by the agricultural and commercial interest of the South that they are feeling the most serious conditions that have confronted the South since 1814; that regardless of the enormous demand for raw cotton and the insufficient supply, cotton is selling today at a price far below the cost of production, says a statement issued today by the American Cotton Association.

The mills in England and in a large portion of America, the statement continues have gone on one-third time, regardless of the record-breaking period of prosperity which they have just passed through and the unheard-of earnings made.

The markets of central Europe, notwithstanding their pressing needs for low-grade cotton, are unable to obtain same.

The fourteen cotton-producing states are organized and united as never before and are determined to fight to the last ditch for a square deal. Under no conditions will they sacrifice their cotton crop which is desperately needed by the world, at unprofitable prices. Based upon supply and demand, this crop should bring a far higher price than any price since the close of the World War and the South is determined not to permit a repetition of the crime of 1914. It is prepared to defend itself today.

Cotton will go into the warehouses and the lands will be entirely planted in food crops this fall and next spring.

In response to the urgent requests referred to, from every section of the Cotton Belt, a call has been issued by President Wannamaker of the convention of the National Board of Directors, Finance and Executive Committees, and members of the Association, to be held in Montgomery, Alabama, September 1st, 2nd and 3rd for the purpose of recommending a minimum price for cotton and cottonseed, and of forming plans and waging a campaign in every section of every county and parish in the cotton producing states for planting the largest acreage in small grain this fall and food and feed crops next spring, ever planted in the history of the South, it being decided to follow this course, after investigation as to the needs of the world for food and feed crops.

On account of the enormous shortage of labor in the South this will enable the cultivation of these crops to advantage as they require far less labor and experience and do not embrace the great hazardous risk in production that cotton does.

Systematic efforts will be put into force that will assure the absolute certainty of the largest reduction in cotton acreage for 1921 ever made in the South.

The National Finance Committee, of which Mr. B. F. McLeod, of Charleston, S. C., is chairman, with representatives from every cotton-producing state in the Union, will meet with the National Executive Committee on September 1st and prepare a detailed report to be submitted to the National Board of Directors when that Board convenes on September 2nd.

On account of the enormous increase in the scope of the work of the American Cotton Association the Board of Directors will subdivide and systematize the work into various departments, electing one of the most prominent and successful business men of the South as Vice-President and General Manager. They will also elect experts to head the various departments, each with a full working force, so as to absolutely assure the fact that the American Cotton Association will become a powerful and potential factor in the agricultural and commercial life of the South and assure the placing of the handling and marketing of the American cotton crop upon an efficient and economical business basis.

The report of the special committee on co-operative marketing will be given special consideration at this Convention and plans will be put into effect and force to assure the uniform adoption of the co-operative plan for handling and marketing the cotton crop throughout the entire cotton belt, thus absolutely assuring the handling and marketing of the American cotton crop upon a strictly efficient and economical business basis; the erection of sufficient warehouses in each and every county and parish to warehouse the cotton produced therein, the cotton moving from the gin house to the warehouse and the sale only being made when the minimum price recommended by the American Cotton Association has been reached, thus assuring the producer a profitable price for his cotton, based upon supply and demand and the cost of production.

A special committee, of the leading representatives from every cotton-producing state will appoint for the purpose of holding conference with the Federal Reserve Banking officials and also leading financial institutions so as to absolutely assure the securing of the completion of necessary financial arrangements to enable the producers to market and warehouse their cotton, stretching the sale of same over a full twelve months period and only selling when the minimum price named by the American Cotton Association has been reached.

The Committee on the cost of production that, even with ideal harvesting weather, this will be by far the

## SCHOOL OPENS SEPTEMBER 7th.

The fall session of the Dillon Schools will open Tuesday, September 7th. Prof. Roberts has been at home for the past week making arrangements for the opening day. There is a great shortage of teachers everywhere this year, and many towns and cities are experiencing considerable difficulty in filling vacancies. Prof. Roberts has been very successful in his efforts to fill vacancies. He has a full corps of teachers who have had considerable experience in the work and the faculty will be much stronger this year. He is finding difficulty, however, in getting places for the teachers to stay. The boarding houses are full and he is unable to secure places for eight of the teachers. The only hope is to find places for them in private homes, and the citizens of Dillon will have to come together and open up their homes to the teachers until they can secure board at other places. There are a number of large homes in Dillon with extra rooms and it is hoped the teachers can be placed in some of these homes. Prof. Roberts will be glad to hear from any one who can help out in this emergency.

Following is a list of the teachers for the next session:

Superintendent—W. D. Roberts, Lykesland, S. C.

First Grade—Miss Isl. McKenzie, Dillon, S. C., Miss Sophie Richards, Liberty Hill, S. C.

Second Grade—Miss Lena Baxley, Gibson, N. C., Miss Mary Sprouse, Fountain Inn, S. C.

Third Grade—Miss Margaret Carpenter, Landrum, S. C., Miss Marian Harvey, Greenwood, S. C.

Fourth Grade—Miss Annie Copepede, Wadesboro, N. C.

Fifth Grade—Miss Eddie Lou Rast, Cameron, S. C.

Sixth Grade—Miss Margaret Riddle, Bowling Green, S. C.

Seventh Grade—Miss Mildred Sellers, Dillon, S. C.

High School—Miss Ruth Allen, Dillon, S. C., Miss Addie Richardson, Townville, S. C., Miss George L. Wardlaw, Due West, S. C., Miss Bessie J. Brown, Laurens, S. C., Miss Mae Edenfield, North Augusta, S. C.

Music—Miss Mae Able, Norway, S. C.

Agriculture—T. L. Ayers, Tabor, N. C.

**Mrs. Wilson Nearly Recorded as Having a 35-Inch Neck**

Washington, Aug. 23—Mrs. Woodrow Wilson recently narrowly escaped having the official records show her as possessing a thirty-five inch neck. It came about through her addition to the collection of gowns worn by president's wives now in the national museum. A manikin was needed to display the gown. Mrs. Wilson's measurements were taken for guidance of the sculptor. An assistant handling the tape measure announced the thirty-five inch neck measurements Mrs. Wilson never said a word.

"I think you are looking at the wrong side of the tape measure," advised the sculptor, Wm. H. Egberts, and such proved to be the case.

"I thought it was pretty big," said the president's wife good naturedly.

Chairman T. W. Berry, who has charge of the Democratic fund campaign for the county, urges the managers at all precincts to put up boxes next Tuesday for campaign contributions. The funds will be used to carry the gospel of Democracy into doubtful states. South Carolina is doing its part and Dillon county is a big part of South Carolina.

Mrs. Le-Roy Williams and children are visiting relatives in Fairmont, N. C.

most costly crop ever produced. Prices being now quoted on the exchanges are far below the cost of production.

It will also be recommended that low grade cotton be not harvested but be permitted to remain in the field for fertilizing purposes and for the purpose of feeding cattle. This recommendation will receive the most careful consideration of the Convention and definite plans will be formed as to the best course to pursue, so as to assure the absolute certainty of all low-grade cotton.

Telegrams and letters are being received showing that the Convention will be largely attended. As a result of the thorough organization of the American Cotton Association there is no question but that plans formed at this Convention will be put into effect and force, without variation, in every section of the Cotton Belt.

We are face to face with the absolute certainty of the greatest acreage in food and feed crops this fall and the coming spring ever planted in the South and the most drastic reduction in cotton acreage in the last fifty years. The yield from the coming crop will be far below the best indicated yield. Marked deterioration is setting in throughout the length and breadth of the Cotton Belt. The low grades will be left in the field for the earth, and for compact, so that we are absolutely certain of not only another short crop, but the shortest crop produced in the last six years.

Through these and other means which are again to be adopted, the increased crop of the year of 1914 will be repeated and the life of the South will be saved. 1921 will mark the shortest crop produced in the last quarter of a century.

## CARD FROM MR. HAMER.

Editor Dillon Herald:

I will appreciate your publishing a few lines in explanation as to why I failed to file my pledge as a candidate for re-election to the House of Representatives.

I wish to say it is quite a disappointment to me and I regret even more to disappoint my friends, and hope my explanation will cause them to bear with me and to appreciate my position.

I quote below part of a letter written to me by my good wife from Hendersonville on August 16th:

"I grant you are good, but think this is one instance where you failed to consider me certainly not first. Am sure when you entered the race for re-election it was not me you thought of. You see I have always hated winters in the country, even when we were all at home and there alone is almost unbearable. I considered you four years and stayed at home without a word of complaint and I did think you should now consider me for awhile—vice versa. You see, before two more years, I may be beyond your consideration. I always try to equalize things. However you are a candidate, and I do not wish to withdraw or be defeated."

Is not that explanation enough to any fair-minded voter, especially a friend of mine?

I wish to say that I appreciate what my friends have done for me, especially in this election. I know the test was applied to many, but they stood steadfast. I appreciate friends far more than dollars and I have one consolation; even though I failed to comply as a candidate, I know who my friends are and I hope to have an opportunity in some way during my life to show them I appreciate them more than words can express. They have in the past elected me as their Representative, and again gave me a complimentary return. I did my best as one of Dillon County's Representatives and I am proud of the record I made. Four years I served on the most important committee, I fought for liberal appropriations when it came to education, I supported good roads bills, I fought to exempt building and loan associations from taxation, I fought the medical bill which would have, if passed, put our drug stores out of commission, I advocated the fertilizer bill which was passed, ratified and became law, providing inspection and analysis of commercial fertilizers which I hope the farmers of Dillon county will read. You will find on Page 1150 of the Acts of 1920, I opposed all unnecessary extravagant bills. In fact during my terms there were approximately 3700 bills and resolutions introduced. The Journal will show where I stood on all important bills. I invite any voter of my county to scrutinize same and see if ninety nine per cent of the votes of J. W. Hamer did not represent the wishes of a big majority of the tax payers and voters of Dillon county.

As to the future, I know not what I may do politically, but you can rest assured any move I may make will be for the interest of Dillon county and the State of South Carolina.

Again thanking the voters for the high honor bestowed upon me by electing me one of their Representatives for the past two terms, I am,

Yours very truly,

JAS. W. HAMER.

(Mr. Hamer has many friends throughout the county who will learn with regret that he did not stand for re-election. He took a very high stand in the general assembly from the very first day he entered that body, having received appointments on important committees that usually went to older members. He was a member of the Ways and Means Committee, the most important committee in the House, and rendered valuable service while on this committee. He was one of the most alert and active members of the House, and always made a thorough analysis of every bill of importance before casting his vote. He entered into the floor discussions with an earnestness and thoroughness that quickly brought him to the forefront and won him recognition as one of the leaders in the House. His decision not to stand for re-election will be learned with regret.—Editor Herald.)

**REGAINS CONSCIOUSNESS AFTER HAVING SLEPT FOR TWO YEARS**

Waukesha, Wis., Aug. 20.—Mrs. Clara Jorgenson, Racine, who has been asleep at the county asylum for more than two years, has regained consciousness.

A sister-in-law of Mrs. Jorgenson visited the institution, bringing with her her 6-year-old son. It is thought that the child awakened the memories in the woman's mind that restored her to a normal condition.

It had been necessary to feed and care for Mrs. Jorgenson as if she were a helpless babe, according to Mrs. Peters, matron of the institution. Yesterday she walked, used table utensils and fed herself with ease. She walked a short distance about the ward and returned to her invalids chair exhausted from the exertion to which she had been accustomed.

"I could not get any more I tried, I tried to keep her from going to sleep in another world, which I lived," said Mrs. Jorgenson in an interview. She said also she could not

## THREE MARYLAND KIDS RIDE WITH MR. WILSON.

Just Out of a Swimming Hole, They Are Picked up by President and Rode for 45 Minutes.

Three kids just out of a swimming hole in Rock Creek park, were picked up by President Wilson, treated to a 45 minute motor ride and dropped out at their homes in town so proud the folks there could not hold them with a rope.

The trio had just come from a dip in one of the park streams and were hiking along the roadway when they saw the White House car and recognized the President. Off came their cans and as Mr. Wilson ordered the car stopped they timidly approached and asked how he was getting along.

"Hop in," said the President, and they hopped.

All along the ride they kept their eyes on the president and Mrs. Wilson and answered more questions than they asked. Water from tumbled heads trickled over three sunburnt faces and dropped on the president's shoes. One youngster ducked to save the president's shoes and apologized but was told not to worry.

Coming down Connecticut avenue, the youngest of the trio, a thin, frail lad, barely eight years old, spied a kid he knew and called to him by name. The youngster in the street dropped a loaf of bread and gasped.

When the kids got out all three shook hands with the president and his wife.

"So long, Bo," one shouted to the secret service man on the front seat. The president smiled broadly, lifted his hat and started home.

**CAMPAIGN OPENED FRIDAY**

The first meeting of the County Campaign opened Friday at Little Rock and will close at Dillon Saturday. Today the candidates will speak at Floydale and tomorrow they will be at Latta. The meetings are being pretty well attended and the candidates are being given close attention but so far as outward appearances go one cannot pick the favorites. Each candidate is given a liberal amount of applause.

The first primary will be held next Tuesday, and the Australian ballot system will be used at every precinct in the county with the exception of Mt. Calvary and Pleasant Hill where there are less than 50 voters enrolled. Booths will be erected at the other precincts and the election will be carried out strictly in accordance with the provisions of the Australian ballot law.

The entries closed at noon Thursday and following is a list of the candidates who qualified and whose names will appear on the ballot next Tuesday:

For House of Representatives—Earle R. Ellerbe, W. H. Muller, Jno. W. McKay.

For Clerk of Court—Jack O. Moody, Sam McLaurin.

For Sheriff—Clyde Sessions Bethea, J. Ben Edwards, S. V. Lane, Dew C. Martin, S. S. Proctor.

For Superintendent of Education—J. S. Fair, N. B. Hargrove, L. B. Halden, H. Mahone Moody.

For Coroner—B. F. Gasque.

If he can get the labor to do the work, Road Commissioner Adams says he is going to put a gravel surface on the Dillon-Latta public road. Dr. J. H. David, who owns a gravel pit near his place, has offered to give the county enough gravel to surface the road from his place to the town limits, and will sell the county enough gravel at 50 cents per cubic yard to surface the road from his place to Latta. Dr. David has also offered Mayor Hamer enough gravel to surface Main street, and the mayor has accepted the offer. Mayor Hamer is putting Main street in good shape and as soon as he can make arrangements to haul the gravel he will build a hard gravel surface street from Second avenue to the town limits.

**\$25.00 DEMOCRATIC CLUB**

Chairman T. W. Berry, who has charge of the campaign in Dillon County to secure contributions to the Democratic presidential campaign fund, is forming a \$25.00 club to be composed of 100 Dillon County men who will contribute \$25.00 each. The following gentlemen have headed the list:

J. H. Manning, Houston Manning, T. L. Manning, P. L. Bethea, L. A. Manning, Clyde S. Bethea, L. B. Rogers, H. A. Bethea.

As names are added to the club they will be published in The Herald. The pledge is not binding until 100 men have agreed to give \$25.00 each.

T. W. Berry, W. W. Evans, Jno. W. McKay, Dr. J. H. David, J. D. Manning.

open her eyes, utter a word or move a muscle. She knew each day's events, heard each word spoken to her.

In an attempt to describe the sensation of awakening to see her sister-in-law, Mrs. Arthur Dixon, of Racine, bending over and finding that she could speak to her, Mrs. Jorgenson could only say "It just happened naturally."

She did not feel in advance that the power to see and speak was about to return to her, she added.

Mrs. Jorgenson clearly remembered world war events, knew of relatives who had been in the service, told the names of those who had remained on the battlefields of France where they fell and knew some had returned home safely and the dates of their arrivals.