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COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

News Items Gathered All Around the County and Elsewhere.

Clear Pond Cullings.

Clear Pond, March 26.—Mr. George Padgett and wife spent a few days with Mr. Padgett's brother near Denmark last week.

Mr. B. F. Hill spent the day at Mrs. P. K. Hughes's last Monday.

Mr. Leroy Gunnells and little brother spent the week-end at Mr. George Padgett's.

Mrs. Annie Zeigler, Mrs. Mander Priester and Mr. Probie Hiers were the guests at Mr. Robt. Morris's Sunday.

Mr. G. W. Folk and daughters, Misses Pet and Dorris, with Mr. Herbert Folk and wife and Mr. Johnnie Folk and wife, also Mrs. Avis Steedly, went to Lodge Friday night to play for the entertainment, which was given by the school there. They reported a good collection.

Mr. Rice Steedly was a guest in the Clear Pond section Sunday and spent the evening at Mr. G. W. Folk's.

The Misses Padgett, accompanied by their guest, Mr. Leroy Gunnells, spent a very pleasant evening at Mr. G. W. Folk's Saturday.

Messrs. C. R. Miller and Joe Martin were the guests of the Misses Padgett Sunday evening.

Mr. Jervey Richardson and wife, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe DuBois spent the afternoon at Mr. P. K. Hughes's Sunday.

Mr. J. Frank Jennings has finished moving his saw mill.

Mr. P. K. Hughes has nearly completed his residence and hopes to be able to move in soon.

Mr. George Steedly was the guest at his brother's, Mr. Duncan Steedly, Sunday afternoon.

The Misses Padgett took their friend, Mr. Gunnells, to see Crystal Springs Sunday afternoon. Misses Pet and Dorris Folk also visited the springs.

Mr. George Steedly has accepted a position with Mr. J. F. Jennings, at his saw mill.

Mr. John Stroud will soon be a member of our neighborhood, coming to log Mr. Jennings's mill.

Clear Pond, March 27.—Rev. J. R. Smith filled his last appointment at Bethesda church Sunday morning. There was an unusually large crowd present.

Mrs. R. F. McMillan has returned from a short visit to relatives at Ehrhardt.

Mr. Leroy Gunnells, of Govan, attended church here Sunday.

Quite a number of Clear Pond folks attended the play at the Lodge graded school last Friday night.

Those visiting at the home of Mr. G. W. Folk Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Elige Goodwin, Mr. and Mrs. Connor Smoak, Messrs. Owen F. McMillan, of Asheville, N. C.; Mayfield Bessinger, Connie and Monroe Crider, and Mrs. Q. H. Sandifer.

Miss Vera McMillan is spending some time with relatives at Ehrhardt.

Mr. J. H. Pearson, of Bamberg, attended church here Sunday.

Messrs. Charlie and G. Hugh Goodwin visited at the home of Mr. J. B. Folk Sunday.

Briar Creek Breezes.

Briar Creek, March 26.—Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hicks spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Kinney Hicks.

Mr. Eddie McMillan spent Saturday and Sunday in the Oak Grove section.

Miss Hattie May Morris spent Saturday with Miss Clio Richardson.

Misses Clio and Hattie May Morris and Messrs. Wade and Eugene Morris and Mr. Odell Sandifer spent Saturday afternoon with Misses Annie May and Josie Richardson.

Miss Carrie Steedly spent Sunday with Miss Clio Richardson.

Mr. B. S. Hightower, of Denmark, is spending some time with his aunt, Mrs. W. L. McPhail.

Miss Eloise Stevenson and Mr. Deney Donald spent Sunday afternoon in the Spring Branch section.

Mrs. S. A. Carter is spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. F. M. Steedly.

Mr. R. M. O'Quinn happened to a misfortune last Friday. While working he lost his eyesight and he has gone to Charleston to a hospital. We hope he will be home soon.

Mr. Joe Wyman Hightower's mother spent the week-end with him.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McPhail spent

Sunday in Denmark.

Mrs. J. A. Page spent Monday in Denmark.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wyman Hightower spent Sunday in Denmark.

Messrs. Odell Sandifer, Louis Sandifer, and Wade Richardson, and Misses Clio Richardson and Fannie Steedly visited in the Spring Branch section Sunday.

Miss Sallie Smith spent Thursday with Miss Leitha Morris.

Mr. Herbert Bails is very ill.

Mr. Mack Collins, of Smoak's cross roads, spent Saturday night and Sunday with his aunt, Mrs. F. M. Steedly.

Ehrhardt Etchings.

Ehrhardt, March 27.—Prosperous Ehrhardt! Our little town is on the boom; six dwelling houses under construction! Mr. S. W. Copeland's two-story brick store building is nearing completion and now Messrs. J. M. Dannelly & Co., are clearing away for a brick building on their old stand, which will contain two or three stores and a barber shop.

How about the school building? Stop your kicking and let us all pull together and we then can accomplish something. Some one make a move; the building is very much in need.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Goodson have moved into their new home and are now enjoying city life—artesian water, electric lights, delivery boys and fresh air.

Born unto Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Copeland, last week, a bouncing baby boy.

There was an agent in town some time ago buying up old scrap iron, rubber and bones. Some one, in collecting and bringing in bones, brought the skeleton of a horse which still has some of the hide and flesh on parts of it and unloaded by a seed house of the Carolina Gin. Co.'s plant, right in the residential part of town. The dogs have been dragging it around and the chickens are enjoying the decayed flesh. If the authorities don't stop such things we will have to train some buzzards to help out with the so-called "sanitation."

The Ladies' Aid society served oysters, coffee, candy, etc., Saturday in the old millinery store. Quite a tidy sum was realized. This is the beginning of a new Methodist church for Ehrhardt.

Mr. C. C. Moore spent Sunday night in Walterboro, interested in the welfare of his health.

The farmers are all very busy. Some are planting corn. They are using more fertilizer than they at first contemplated. The spring gardens are looking fine, but the ground is cold and very wet.

Rev. J. R. Smith, pastor of the Baptist churches on the Ehrhardt circuit, preached his farewell sermon last Sunday. He has accepted a call at Flint Hill, and will move as soon as his children are sufficiently recovered from a slight illness. Mr. Smith is an able preacher and has served this pastorate well. He made many friends here and they learn of his departure with much regret and we sincerely extend to him our best wishes in his new field of work.

An attraction of more than ordinary interest is coming to Ehrhardt on Monday night, April 2nd. Judge Bale, a speaker of national reputation, will lecture in the Methodist church on the subject of national prohibition. He comes under the auspices of the Anti-Saloon league. Press reports speak very favorably of his lectures on this subject, and we are expecting a rare treat.

Spring Branch Sayings.

Spring Branch, March 27.—The missionary meeting that was to be at Spring Branch Saturday, was not held on account of the rain.

Miss Reba Williams and Messrs. Roy Williams and Eddie Walker, of Colston, spent Saturday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. O'Quinn.

Mrs. Hattie Hutto is spending some time with Mrs. H. W. Herndon.

Miss Eula O'Quinn is spending some time with her uncle, Mr. C. F. O'Quinn, of Beaufort.

Miss Eloise Stevenson and Mr. Dewey Donald, of Briar Creek, were the pleasant guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. O'Quinn Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Crider gave a party Saturday night. It was very much enjoyed by the young folks.

Misses Gertrude and Irene Bessinger spent Saturday night with their grandmother, Mrs. Laura Bessinger.

Misses Sadie Boyd and Ethel Logan, of Colston, spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Herndon.

Mrs. Warnie Steedly, of Briar Creek, spent Saturday night with her

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Goodwin.

Miss Dottie Goodwin was the guest of Miss Minnie Crider Sunday.

Mr. Connie Crider spent Saturday night with Mr. Monroe Crider.

Mr. John Bessinger, spent Saturday night with his brother, Mr. W. R. Bessinger.

Miss Reba O'Quinn spent Monday night with Miss Dottie Goodwin.

Mrs. Emma Goodwin spent a few hours at Mr. J. P. O'Quinn's Monday afternoon.

A good many folks from the Spring Branch section went to Bethesda Sunday morning to hear Rev. J. R. Smith preach his farewell sermon.

Rev. Walter Black spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Goodwin.

Miss Nell Clayton spent last Monday night with Miss Dottie Goodwin.

Mr. C. F. O'Quinn, who has been spending some time with his brother, Mr. J. P. O'Quinn, has returned to his home in Beaufort.

Mr. J. P. O'Quinn and his brother, Mr. R. M. O'Quinn, spent Saturday in Orangeburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kinard, of Ehrhardt, spent last Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Herndon.

Colston Clippings.

Colston, March 27.—Missionary day—April 1—will be observed at Colston Branch Baptist church on that date, at 3:30 o'clock, in the afternoon. The public is invited to attend.

Misses Sadie Boyd and Ethel Logan spent Friday night and Saturday with friends in the Spring Branch section.

Mr. Albert McMillan and Misses Ethel and Dora McMillan and Rebecca Dickinson, of Bamberg, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McMillan.

Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Bishop spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Bishop.

Miss Bessie Kirkland spent last week-end with her cousin, Mrs. J. A. Jennings.

Messrs. R. L. Jackson and George Curry spent last week-end in Sumter.

Messrs. Frank Kirkland and Gerald Kearse and Miss Minnie Kirkland spent Sunday in Ulmer.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Beard and family spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Bishop.

Miss Inez Clayton spent Saturday night with Miss Laura Goodwin.

Messrs. George Kearse and Elgin McMillan, and Misses Sadie Boyd and Ethel Logan spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Padgett.

Lagrippe still holds the key to a good many homes.

Mesdames F. W. McMillan and J. C. Beard, and Misses Sadie Boyd, Ethel Logan and Reba Williams, delegates from the Colston missionary society to the meeting at Spring Branch, went before the down-pour Saturday morning. The rain prevented the meeting, but the delegates, except Miss Williams, who spent the day at Mr. J. P. O'Quinn's, enjoyed the day with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Herndon.

Mr. Will McMillan spent Sunday with Messrs. Claude and Johnnie Kirkland.

Messrs. Robert Kennedy and Ira Garrett, of Govan, were visitors in this section Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Evelyn Kirkland is spending some time in Olar.

Oak Grove Greetings.

Oak Grove, March 28.—All the farmers are very busy planting their crops.

Mr. Willie Carter, of Barnwell, spent last Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Carter.

Mrs. J. L. Copeland and Miss Lonie Copeland spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Willie Bishop.

There is some sickness in our neighborhood.

Mrs. Albert Hunter and little son, W. I., spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. M. W. Rentz.

Mrs. W. D. Bennett, of Ehrhardt, spent last week with her sister, Mrs. O. L. Copeland.

Miss Grace Hoffman spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Rose Hoffman.

Among those who dined with Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Copeland last Sunday were: Mr. J. L. Copeland, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Fender and little daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Zeigler, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Beard, of Colston, and Mr. Ola Zeigler, of Clemson college.

Miss Jennie Lou Martin spent last Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. John Miley, of Lodge.

Miss Lonie Copeland spent last

HINDENBURG LINE BREAKS.

Germans Giving Ground Foot by Foot.—Desperate Battles.

Notwithstanding stiffened resistance by the Germans before the Hindenburg line, British and French troops continue to make progress on both sides of the Somme and Oise rivers in France.

The west bank of the Oise from La Fere northward to Vendeuil, a distance of about four miles has been occupied by the French troops, who also captured two of the advance forts in the defensive system of La Fere, supposed to be one of the German strong points.

North of the Somme the Germans have been forced back to Savy, four miles west of St. Quentin. The fighting on the west bank of the Oise, according to the French official statement, was of the most desperate character, the Germans giving ground only foot by foot and defending themselves tenaciously.

Several Villages Taken.

In the face of the German attempts to check the French progress south of the Oise by flooding some sections, the French have advanced on the east bank of the Ailette river, capturing several villages and forcing the Germans to retreat.

Roisen, seven miles east of Peronne, and a railway junction point on the line, between Marcoing and St. Quentin, has been captured by the British. At Beaumetz-les-Cambrai, near the centre of the British line on the Somme front, the Germans attacked and obtained a temporary footing in the village, but later were ejected. A British advance southwest and west of Ecoust-St. Mein, southeast of Arras, on a front of one and a half miles, also is reported by London.

Grand Duke Nicholas has been ousted from the chief command of the Russian armies because of his connection with the Romanoff dynasty. Gen. Alexieff has taken temporary command of the Russian forces.

On Roumanian Frontier.

Activity has been resumed on the Roumanian frontier, where German troops have stormed the Russian positions between the Zolyomtar and Czobanos valleys and have taken 500 prisoners. Between the Silcha and Chvanich rivers the Russians have withdrawn about two-thirds of a mile under German pressure.

The fighting between lakes Ochrida and Presba on the Macedonian, near Monastir, is reported to be always present, with Teuton forces still in possession of the dominating heights in the district north and west of the Monastir basis, which is said to have been the object of the French attacks.

Russian Advance Continues.

The advance of Russian troops toward the Mesopotamian border continues and the capture of the Persian town of Kerind, forty miles from the border, was announced Saturday.

Gen. Letchitzky, who was in command of the southern wing of the Russian armies in Gen. Brusiloff's offensive last summer, has been placed in command of the Russian armies on the central front, succeeding Gen. Alexie Evert.

Announcement has been made in Washington that Brand Whitlock, the American minister, and the American relief workers in Belgium have been withdrawn and will be replaced as far as possible by members of a joint neutral commission supervised principally by Dutch military officials.

Tuesday night with Miss Julia Clayton.

Mr. Jule Rhoad and daughter, Annie, and Mrs. Mattie Fender spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. J. A. Carter.

A good many folks attended the play at Lodge last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Copeland spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kinard.

Mr. Barnie Hiers dined with his sister, Mrs. Willie Bishop.

Buford Bridge Budget.

Buford Bridge, March 27.—Mr. Ben Darlington, of Barnwell, is a pleasant visitor at the home of Mr. S. E. Neeley.

Mrs. H. M. Graham and children and Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Graham, of Bamberg, were visitors at Mr. A. L. Kirkland's last week-end.

Mr. Henry Kearse and sister and Miss Clara McMillan, of Bamberg, were pleasantly entertained by Mr. J. B. Kearse and family last Sunday.

Mr. R. L. Kearse and family, of Colston, were visitors at Mr. J. B. Kearse's Sunday.

Mrs. Roscoe Kearse is still at the hospital in Columbia. Last reports

IN THE PALMETTO STATE

SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

State News Boiled Down for Quick Reading.—Paragraphs About Men and Happenings.

The German steamship, Liebenfels, recently sunk in Charleston harbor, has been raised and formally turned over to the navy department.

The State railroad commission has ordered the Southern railway to put in service an addition passenger train between Columbia and Spartanburg.

During the session of the court of general sessions for Clarendon county, last week, Judge Memminger presided, 40 of the 48 cases on the docket were cleaned up.

Rev. William Thomas Russell was formally installed Thursday as bishop of the Catholic diocese of Charleston. The formal installation was by Cardinal Gibbons, of Baltimore.

Ira O. Burton, charged with the murder of David A. Langford, on the streets of Newberry on January 24, 1916, was convicted Thursday, the jury bringing in a verdict of manslaughter.

Chas. M. Smith, of the Merchants & Planters National bank, of Gaffney, purchased \$12,000 worth of 5 per cent. twenty-year Gaffney bonds at a premium of \$350. There were twelve bidders.

Alex J. Ferguson, of Charleston, and Herbert Rivers, of Atlanta, Ga., were drowned off the Isle of Palms, Sunday afternoon, when their motorboat capsized. A third member of the party was rescued in an exhausted condition.

Roxie Gamble and Will Moore, negroes, were arrested in Greenville Monday, by United States secret service agents, on suspicion that the pair was passing counterfeit coins. The counterfeit coins are of the \$1 denomination.

Charleston on Tuesday voted to purchase the property of the Charleston Light and Water company for \$1,360,000 and to issue \$140,000 in bonds for the improvement of the plants which will now be run by the municipality.

Forty-five negroes were captured in a gambling den on upper King street, Charleston, Sunday morning. Forty of them were released on \$10 bail bonds, four were held without bail, and one released. Most of the negroes forfeited their bonds.

It turns out that the interruption of the mustering out of the Second regiment of the South Carolina National Guard was because of the possible need of the guardsmen in connection with the anticipated strike of the trainmen. Since then the original plans are being carried out.

C. W. Cooper, a Confederate veteran, aged 72 years, of Key West, Fla., passed through Greenville, Monday, on his way to Washington, to attend the annual reunion of the United Confederate veterans, which meets in the national capital in June. Mr. Cooper expects to make the entire trip on foot.

Deputy Sheriff L. E. Cooper, of Greenville, was acquitted at his second trial in the Greenville court Friday. He was accused of the death of Mrs. Lizzie Fuller, an aged woman, at the Brandon mill, a year or more ago. Cooper went to arrest a man, there was some resistance and the woman was shot.

Governor Manning has appointed the following as regents of the State Hospital for the Insane: R. B. Scarborough, of Conway, for a term of five years; J. E. Sirrine, of Greenville, for a term of four years; B. W. Seagers, of Oswego, for a term of three years; S. C. Baker, M. D., of Sumter, for a term of two years, and Christie Benet, of Columbia, for a term of one year.

Miss Ruth Shuler spent last week-end in Olar very pleasantly at the home of Dr. Kirkland.

Mr. H. C. Kirkland has been very sick for the past week.

Dr. N. F. Kirkland spent last week in Barnwell.

Mr. G. V. Kearse has been in Columbia lately on business.

A good many from here attended the lyceum at Olar last Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

Rev. A. Sassard filled his regular appointment at Mizpah last Sunday.

"BOAGUS."

BRITISH TAKE FORTY TOWNS.

The Allied Troops Pushing Forward on Heels of Germans.

Again the British and French forces in France are moving rapidly against the retreating Germans and both the London and Paris war offices chronicle additional important gains in terrain at various points along the line running from Arras to the region of Soissons. Forty more villages have been taken by the British in the districts south and southeast of Peronne, while east of Ham, north of Tergnier, and north of Soissons the French have made good progress.

To the north, between Nurlu and Arras, the Germans at a number of points are beginning to resist the British advance vigorously, but despite this, says London, their rear guards are being steadily driven back and the progress of the British continues. In the Ailette valley and along the east bank of the Crousat canal the Germans are in strong force and have heavily bombarded French positions.

The Russians apparently still have the upper hand of the Turks on the Persian border front, Petrograd reporting that they have been driven from the region of Sakkiz and that the Russians have crossed the Persian border and invaded Mesopotamia, thus adding to the menace of the Ottoman troops, who are in retreat before the British up the Tigris and Diah rivers from Bagdad. To the south of Sakkiz the Turks, who recently were forced to evacuate Kermanshah, continue to fall back. On none of the front have there been engagements of much importance.

Unofficial advices received in London from Holland are to the effect that serious food riots have broken out in Berlin and that frontier regiments have been sent there to maintain order.

SEA ROVER IN GREENVILLE.

Dr. Bristol Has Had Narrow Escapes. Went Down With Torpedoed Ship.

Greenville, March 23.—Making 15 trips across the Atlantic ocean, being submarined on the last trip, captured and held as prisoner of war by the Germans after being rescued from the torpedoed ship, exchanged for a German prisoner and finally landed back in the United States on December 23 is the unique experience of Dr. G. C. Bristol, of St. Louis, who is in the city today and who has decided to make his home in Greenville.

Dr. Bristol said the ship, the Nancy Howell, on which the last trip was made, left Key West on February 7, 1916 with 3,210 head of horses on board. The load of horses was bound for Liverpool.

"We were only five days out of Liverpool, when the eventful day came," said Dr. Bristol. "It happened on February 12. All was turmoil on the ship when at 6:25 we were torpedoed by the German submarine and the boat later went down. As far as we have been able to learn, about 300 of the crew were drowned though over 100 of us escaped. The boat was an Alaskan whaling boat turned into a steamer and was one of the largest of its kind of the seas.

"All during the night," he continued, "we were fighting around in the water. Some were in small boats, some clinging to the pieces of the ship and some with only life preservers. I was floating on a state room door of the ship which had been torpedoed and it was not until the next morning that I was picked up by a submarine.

"The submarine transported me, with the others, to a German cruiser which took us in charge and we were landed on a small island of a group of islands between South America and Africa as prisoners of war. For seven long months we were prisoners on these islands, living on a small allowance of four ounces of fishoil and black bread a day.

"Finally a day came when the Germans exchanged some prisoners with the allies and, fortunately for me, I was exchanged and taken to Liverpool. I later learned that I was the only American exchanged when the trades were made."

Honor Roll Buford Bridge School.

First grade—Jeanette Brabham.

Advanced first grade—Malcolm Drawdy, Frank Kirkland.

Second grade—Jone Kirkland, Asbury Kirkland, Jr.

Fourth grade—Nic Kirkland.

Sixth grade—Eugene Brabham, Doll Brabham, Melle Brabham, Inez Kirkland, Will Kirkland, Merrell Johns.

RUTH SHULER, Teacher.