



## COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

### SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

#### News Items Gathered All Around the County and Elsewhere.

**Olar, September 4.**—The Baptist Missionary convention is now in session in this city. Quite a large number of delegates are in attendance. The men have surrendered the town to the ladies, and are acting in obedience to their commands.

Messrs. George C. Morris and Floyd C. Chitty visited Washington, New York and Allentown, Pa., last week. They have brothers in the Columbia Ambulance company now located in Allentown.

Mrs. George O. Barker is now in a Columbia hospital where she underwent an operation this week.

Last Wednesday evening a party of citizens came in the interest of the Red Cross society and organized a chapter at Olar. We are delighted that they took this step, and we feel assured that the Olar chapter will do good work.

Mr. C. F. Rizer returned last week from a business trip to Washington, Baltimore and New York.

Mrs. Matthews, of Williston, has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Paul Cook.

Mr. Joe Frank Erabham, of Bamberg, was in town Sunday. He presented his children with a touring car.

Mr. R. C. Jones, of Bamberg, visited his sister, Mrs. C. F. Rizer, Sunday.

Miss Bettie Matthews, of Williston, who has been on a business trip to Baltimore and New York, spent Sunday night in Olar with her sister, Mrs. Paul Cook, on her way home.

Mr. Bernice Barker and Misses Harter and Youmans, of Fairfax, were in town Monday.

Rev. A. Sassard has been granted a month's vacation by his churches.

Mrs. G. M. Neeley left Friday for Dr. McGuire's Hospital in Richmond, where she will undergo treatment. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Howie, of Richmond, who has been visiting her.

Miss Verna French has accepted a position in the music department at Columbia college. Miss French is an accomplished young lady and we feel assured that she will creditably fill the position to which she has been elected.

Mr. H. H. Kearse returned last week from an extended trip to Yellowstone park.

Prof. Robert F. Goodwin was in Olar last week. Mr. Goodwin recently received an honorable discharge from the Columbia Ambulance company on account of ill health. He will be principal of the Olar High school again next session.

Dr. C. B. Ray who was commissioned as first lieutenant in the medical reserve corps, some time ago, recently received orders to go to New York at once prepared to sail for France and report to the commanding general of the American army. Dr. Ray left the same day he received orders. He is still in New York, but expects to leave for France at any time.

A great deal of cotton is coming in now. It is selling for 22 1-16 cents in Olar today. CITIZEN.

#### Schofield Sketches.

Schofield, Sept. 4.—Mr. Lewis Clust spent the week-end at Savannah and Tybee Island.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bishop, of the Colston section, were here on a visit to relatives on Saturday last.

Mr. J. S. Mather, of Govan, has accepted a position here as carpenter. He has moved his family here.

Mrs. J. M. Odom and children, of Govan, visited relatives here on last Sunday.

Mr. H. T. Kearse spent Sunday with his brother, Mr. G. C. Kearse, of the Kearse section. DRABLER.

#### Colston Clippings.

Colston, Sept. 5.—Vacation time is nearing a close, and the happy picnic days are almost over. "All play and no work will make Jack a dull boy." So we must make up our minds to put in good work, after enjoying the happy vacation.

Miss Louise Wiggins, of Savannah, is spending some time with Miss Laura McMillan.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Bishop, Mrs. Ograta Beard and little Gladys Beard were the pleasant guests of Mr. and

## PLAN HOME GUARD.

Organization of Regiment Under Way. Baker to Cooperate.

Columbia, Aug. 31.—The organization of a regiment of State militia for service solely within the limits of the State, will be taken up by Governor Manning in conference with the secretary of war and governors of New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware and Virginia at an early date. Preliminary steps have already been taken and the matter has been brought to the attention of the war college in Washington.

The committee comprising the proposed regiment will be formed only in those communities which are anxious to form such organizations and which will guarantee to give them financial support. The officers will be designated and appointed by the governor. The arrangements so far made are purely tentative and are contingent upon the approval of the secretary of war and the assistance of the federal government.

The general plan is to organize a regiment of infantry, the members of which will subscribe to oaths rendering them subject to the orders of the governor for use solely within the State. The president will also have authority to call upon them for service, but only within the borders of the State to which they belong. The organization parallels the status of the militia under the Dick law of the national government, which was superseded by the national defense act of June 3, 1916.

"The same conditions we face confronts the authorities of other States," said governor Manning today. "There is very apparent need for the State authorities to have at their command a mobile force for use solely within each State. The organization of 'Home Guards' would not be a sufficient check as they could be used only in the localities in which they are formed. Furthermore, there is some doubt as to how far the federal government would go in extending recognition to them in the matter of equipment."

"With the State militia, however, which would have its central body of control, the probability is that the government will extend recognition and render the necessary assistance after the regular army, the National Army and the federalized National Guard have been equipped."

"I intend to go to Washington in the near future when I shall present the matter in full to the secretary of war and obtain from him such assurance as the war college has seen fit to grant."

**The Return Courteous:**  
A few years ago, while watching a parade in Boston in which the Stars and Stripes were conspicuous, a fair foreigner with strong anti-American proclivities turned to a companion and, commenting on the display, pettishly remarked:  
"That American flag makes me sick. It looks just like a piece of checker-berry candy."

Senator Lodge, who was standing near by, overheard the remark and, turning to the young lady, said:  
"Yes, miss, it does. And it makes every one sick who tries to lick it."

Mrs. B. D. Bishop Sunday.

Mrs. Anna Kirkland and children, of Ulmers, are spending some time with relatives in this section.

The Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Folk were: Miss Mary Clayton, Messrs. Thos. Clayton, Jones Bishop, Vernon McMillan, Sammie Clayton, and Johnnie Kirkland, and Mr. and Mrs. Copeland.

Miss Dora McMillan and Mr. Calvin McMillan dined at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Fender Sunday.

Miss Mamie McMillan spent Saturday night with Misses Minnie and Evelyn Kirkland.

Mr. Willie Best, of the Kearse section, was a visitor in this section Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Rebecca Thomas and sons are visiting relatives here at present.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Clayton dined with Mr. and Mrs. Jake McMillan Sunday.

Miss M. E. Hutson, of Ehrhardt, spent several days with friends in this section recently.

Mrs. J. A. McMillan and daughter, Mary Addie, are spending some time with relatives in Savannah.

Miss Minnie Kirkland, Mesdames W. G. Kirkland, Anna Kirkland, Rebecca Thomas, Messrs. W. G. Best and Frank Kirkland, Jr., dined at the home of Mr. and Mrs. West Fender Sunday.

Miss Sallie Richardson spent last Thursday night with Miss Laura McMillan.

Miss Wilma Clayton spent several days last week with her brother, Mr. J. M. Clayton.

## PORT OF RIGA HAS FALLEN

RUSSIANS EVACUATE IMPORTANT POST ON GULF OF RIGA.

Opens the Road to Petrograd for the German Armies.—Austrians Lose 128,000 Men.

Riga, Russia's big port on the Gulf of Riga, is in the hands of the Germans and its garrison and the civilian population are in retreat eastward.

Following up rapidly the advantage they gained in driving the Russians across the Dvina river on both sides of Uskull last Saturday, the Germans threw bridges across this stream and soon were on the heels of the former defenders, some of whom offered resistance, but others of whom showed the white feather, giving the invaders no trouble in marching up the eastern bank of the Dvina toward Riga, fifteen miles distant. Seeing the disaffection and the inability to stem the tide of the advance, the Russian commander ordered an evacuation.

### Between Two Fires.

With the falling back of the Russians from the city proper and the advance of the Germans northward along both sides of the stream, the Russians still defending the western bank around Dahlen, seemingly are in danger of being caught between the two fast moving bodies of the enemy and made prisoner.

Behind them the Russians in their retreat from Riga are laying the country in waste, burning villages and farms. Whether the city itself remains intact has not yet been made known, but doubtless the guns in the fortress and the ammunition stores either were removed or destroyed to prevent them falling into the hands of the Germans.

### Value of Position.

Aside from the strategic value of controlling the Gulf of Riga, and of a base nearer the mouth of the Gulf of Finland, at the head of which Petrograd is situated, for the moment it is impossible to see the importance of the German gain, especially with the near approach of winter, when military operations in this northern region are almost impossible.

On none of the other fronts have there been operations of great moment, except the Austro-Italian theatre where the Italians have made further progress on the Bainsizza plateau and in the Brestovizza valley and at various points along the line have repulsed fresh counter-attacks launched by Austrians. Throughout this entire theatre violent artillery duels are in progress from Tolmino to the sea.

### Heavy Austrian Losses.

Advices to the Italian embassy in Washington are to the effect that in the present offensive the Austrians have lost more than 128,000 men. Reports from Udine, Italy, give the Austrian losses as one-third of the first line army.

The batteries of Field Marshal Hajg are still pouring an incessant fire against the German trenches in Flanders, but as yet the anticipated new dash by his men to capture them has not started. Doubtless the knocking down of the defenses has not reached the limits which the British commander always requires before he throws his infantrymen into the fray.

On the remainder of the front in the west, held by the British, there have been the usual trench-raiding operations, in one of which south of Monachy-Le-Preux German dugouts and machine guns were destroyed and some prisoners taken.

### Artillery duels, which are somewhat violent in the Verdun region, are taking place along the front where the French are facing the Germans. No infantry actions of importance have occurred.

### Condition of Cotton Crop 69.6

New York, Aug. 29.—August is generally a month of deterioration for the cotton and the 2,040 reports received from special correspondents of an average date August 23, show a decline of 3.7 points, compared with a loss of 10.1 points a year ago and 6.6 points in 1915. The severe decline in Texas of 14.4 points is wholly responsible for the loss, since all other States show gains, with the exception of Florida and South Carolina, which remained unchanged.

Both Mt. Whitney and Salton sea—the highest and lowest points, respectively in the United States—are in California.

## MEN SELECTED FROM SECOND CALL OF 300 WHO WERE NEITHER EXEMPTED OR DISCHARGED

The following men, in addition to the list already published in The Herald, have been selected for military service from Bamberg county:

539	Allen Ginyard, Bamberg	229
559	George Grimes, Bamberg	228
576	B. F. Padgett, Bamberg	1258
578	Vernon Grant, Midway	1508
579	Alizie Martin, Branchville	1194
586	John Carter, Jr., Denmark	635
588	B. N. Williams, Denmark	861
593	Henry Reed, Denmark	802
595	Walter Hartzog, Denmark	691
598	Ben Harrison, Bamberg	237
599	Lewis Willis, Bamberg	422
607	Lemuel Grant, Bamberg	202
611	Shedrick McCormack, Branchville	1198
618	Lemville Inabinet, Bamberg	262
622	Isaiah Hemon, Olar	1373
623	Gloster Rice, Lees	1465
624	Harry Ehrhardt, Ehrhardt	883
634	Jonas Williams, Embree	1227
642	John Williams, Sr., Schofield	1740
646	Ben McMillan, Ehrhardt	1028
654	J. D. Kennedy, Denmark	735
660	James Walker, Bamberg	447
661	John Sanders, Schofield	1728
669	Robert Smalls, Bamberg	393

681	Fred Campbell, Bamberg	158
685	Latta Ghan, Lancaster, S. C.	52
686	L. F. Sandifer, Bamberg	105
702	Alex Tyler, Bamberg	416
707	Jocsep Mitchell, Bamberg	316
710	Malcolm Howard, Govan	1283
711	Sterling Dickerson, Ehrhardt	968
714	D. E. Folk, Denmark	546
719	C. L. T. Tyler, Bamberg	511
720	Quillie Grimes, Bamberg	205
724	John Weaver, Denmark	860
726	Ulyses Zeigler, Bamberg	460
728	Richard Frazier, Denmark	666
731	Kisler Richwine, Midway	1527
738	James Harley, Bamberg	236
741	Pinkney Galashaw, Embree	1168
742	Filmoa Greén, Bamberg	214
752	Porter Smith, Midway	1529
754	Mouzon Richard, Olar	1397
756	Jimmie Brown, Bamberg	151
762	Lonnie Bradley, Denmark	618
772	James Jamison, Schofield	1761
779	E. H. Henderson, Bamberg	63
792	Eddie Gilmore, Bamberg	224
796	Alonzo Abel, Ehrhardt	931
812	J. J. Stroud, Bamberg	1494
821	R. K. Kearse, Ehrhardt	473

## 150 MEN SUMMONED IN THE THIRD CALL FOR EXAMINATION THIS WEEK

Notices were mailed Thursday afternoon to 150 additional registrants to appear before the Local Board for physical examination. The required quota from Bamberg county has been secured, but a number of reserves will be selected to take the places of any selected men who for any reason cannot go to the cantonment in Columbia when summoned. The men selected from this call will form the reserve, and will not be called unless vacancies exist in the list of selected men. The following are the ones summoned in the third call:

826	Frank Irons, Bamberg	260
827	J. G. Chitty, Denmark	527
828	Horace Hightower, Bamberg	254
829	Jim Williams, Bamberg	446
830	J. A. McMillan, Bamberg	89
831	Benj. Shephard, Olar	1726
832	Lewis McCormack, Branchville	1197
833	Henry Allen, Ehrhardt	932
834	Jeff Rayson, Bamberg	1204
835	Newew Kearse, Olar	1377
836	Prime Young, Denmark	863
837	Henry Pool, Bamberg	358
838	George Wiggins, Bamberg	451
839	Eugene Murray, Denmark	745
840	R. S. Locklair, Denmark	573
841	George Williams, Schofield	1742
842	Barney Brown, Branchville	1137
843	R. H. Hoff, Embree	1106
844	Henry Leiby, Bamberg	308
845	Richard Washington, Bamberg	429
846	Wesley Nimmons, Schofield	1703
847	Raymond Johnson, Lees	1451
848	Lemuel Kearse, Olar	1383
849	Sam Ancrum, Schofield	1608
850	Asbury Parker, Blackville	1459
851	Geo. Walker, Jr., Ehrhardt	1055
852	William White, Branchville	1225
853	Sidney Squire, Bamberg	394
854	Raymond Mingo, Ehrhardt	1025
855	Charlie Tyler, Bamberg	417
856	James Parker, Bamberg	354
857	Blanding Willis, Bamberg	445
858	Lewis Bartley, Midway	1497
859	Wesley Adams, Olar	1609
860	Isaac Grimes, Bamberg	217
861	Ernest Best, Olar	1615
862	Creighton Irons, Bamberg	259
863	Robert Kearse, Govan	1295
864	Henry Frederick, Denmark	1756
865	Andrew Wilson, Ehrhardt	1068
866	William Hogg, Olar	1374
867	Lemuel Bennett, Govan	1268
868	G. H. Counts, Govan	1631
869	James Joiner, Blackville	1450
870	Willie McMillan, Bamberg	322
871	D. B. Rhoad, Branchville	1120
872	Wilber Folk, Ehrhardt	1365
873	Ben Halyard, Bamberg	242
874	H. H. Clayton, Olar	1333
875	J. M. McCormack, Olar	1584
876	Tom Hanberry, Denmark	702
877	Colus Hutto, Bamberg	232
878	E. P. Sandifer, Denmark	597
879	Sylvester Holmes, Denmark	694
880	Ambrose Flemming, Bamberg	198
881	Peter Blake, Lees	1421
882	C. A. Ayer, Olar	1318
883	Ben Loadholt, Ehrhardt	1018
884	Willie Haynesworth, Schofield	1666
885	Isadore Richardson, Denmark	799
886	Leon Faust, Denmark	671
887	W. E. Hightower, Denmark	561
888	Israel Brunson, Schofield	1621
889	Henry Fronis, Bamberg	195
890	Calvin Williams, Ehrhardt	1061
891	Fred Black, Bamberg	145
892	Aaron Reed, Govan	1310
893	Joe Rush, Bamberg	98
894	Lexie Sease, Ehrhardt	1053
895	Asbury Kinard, Branchville	1184

896	Richmond Reed, Denmark	801
897	David Johnson, Bamberg	286
898	D. C. Hunter, Ehrhardt	990
899	Corbett Hiers, Olar	1573
900	B. T. Felder, Bamberg	44
901	Lewis Grimes, Bamberg	226
902	Hartvill Walker, Olar	1746
903	R. P. Bellinger, Bamberg	7
904	Henry Williams, Denmark	846
905	Isadore Simmons, Bamberg	398
906	El. Grimes, Bamberg	216
907	Ralph Way, Denmark	847
908	Sam Kirkland, Bamberg	302
909	Oscar Crider, Bamberg	26
910	C. W. Smith, Branchville	1123
911	Fletcher Faust, Denmark	662
912	J. L. Kinard, Bamberg	475
913	Dave Davis, Denmark	641
914	John Gilbert, Olar	1661
915	Noble Odom, Olar	1392
916	George Washington, Olar	1749
917	B. T. Hutto, Branchville	1104
918	Herbert Halyard, Bamberg	239
919	B. H. Curry, Midway	1500
920	Alonzo Grimes, Bamberg	1506
921	Sam Woodward, Denmark	852
922	Joseph Beard, Ehrhardt	942
923	Robt. Nimmons, Olar	1701
924	Andrew Brown, Embree	1145
925	Frank Folk, Ehrhardt	975
926	Enock Coats, Govan	1274
927	G. Nick Lancopoulos, Bamberg	82
928	Frank Kirkland, Bamberg	478
929	Willis Duncan, Blackville	1429
930	G. A. McMillan, Bamberg	479
931	D. K. Griffith, Bamberg	55
932	J. E. Steadman, Denmark	592
933	C. B. All, Bamberg	461
934	D. C. Player, Olar	1345
935	Preston Johnson, Bamberg	1512
936	H. J. A. McMillan, Ehrhardt	840
937	Alex Dyches, Olar	1364
938	Chas. Tobin, Branchville	1209
939	J. R. Strickland, Smoaks	1127
940	Phillip Guess, Denmark	674
941	Geo. C. Morris, Olar	1581
942	Ben Counts, Govan	1630
943	Liscoe Riley, Bamberg	372
944	Herbert Folk, Bamberg	42
945	Mouzon Washington, Bamberg	431
946	Willie Duncan, Blackville	1428
947	C. W. Smoak, Bamberg	106
948	Henry Duncan, Denmark	639
949	Johnnie Washington, Bamberg	425
950	Harvie Wright, Bamberg	1230
951	Henry Carter, Govan	1627
952	O. B. Drawdy, Branchville	1092
953	E. R. Cooner, Bamberg	21
954	Frank Williams, Bamberg	423
955	Ed. Rice, Lees	1469
956	Cape Brooks, Olar	1754
957	Cape Beeling, Branchville	1144
958	Waddell Breland, Olar	1618
959	Frank Smith, Branchville	1216
960	G. L. Bishop, Bamberg	462
961	H. S. Morris, Olar	1586
962	Robt. Nimmons, Jr., Govan	1299
963	A. L. Pearlstone, Olar	1594
964	Moses Hightower, Bamberg	238
965	Cleo Barrs, Branchville	1080
966	Walter Gregg, Blackville	1437
967	W. W. Steedly, Bamberg	1493
968	Frank White, Branchville	1226
969	Jefrow Thomas, Lees	1479
970	E. P. Hiers, Olar	1338
971	Buist Dickinson, Olar	1649
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