



WEEKLY REVIEW OF WAR

PLEASED WITH THE CONDUCT OF AMERICANS.

Forces Engaged in One of Most Active Sectors on Front.—British Extends Lines.

Washington, Feb. 24.—Increasingly important activity by the Americans on the Western front and the return for the rest at a leave station of the men who have completed their first period of duty in the trenches are noted in this week's review of military operations by the war department.

In the news of the renewed German offensive against the Russians, the most important development of the week, the department finds no cause for surprise, but adds nothing to information carried in press dispatches. The review was written before the announcement came from London that the Bolsheviks had accepted Germany's peace terms.

Russian Disorganization.

"Hitherto little opposition has been offered to the advancing Germans," the department says, "and it is not as yet clear what preparations the Russians are making to meet the enemy. Owing to the disorganization of the Russian forces, it is difficult to pre-empt what effective opposition they may be able to place in the path of the invaders."

Of the Western front the review says:

"While no major undertakings were recorded in the West, yet the entire front was the scene of hard driven assaults of a minor character.

"Our own forces are taking an increasingly important part in the operations. Last week we recorded the participation of our artillery in the very successful thrust made by the French in the region of the Butte du Mesnil. This week the presence of our infantry in a very important area of the Chemin des Dames is reported. Here our patrols have been outside our barbed wire and have undertaken a number of scouting expeditions in No Man's Land which were successfully carried through.

"At the time our detachments were coming up into the trenches they were under heavy hostile shell fire; nevertheless, our men made their way to their stations without confusion or casualties. It is useful to note that our forces now in action in this, one of the most active sectors of the entire French front, have acquitted themselves very creditably.

"During the week Gen. Pershing made a personal inspection of the American sector northwest of Toul. Men Given Rest.

"Our men who have completed their first period of duty in the trenches have arrived at the leave center established at Aix les Bains. This is the first of a series of rest centers it is proposed to establish where our men can find rest and recreation after the trying ordeal of trench life.

"Along the French front the enemy reacted energetically in the region southwest of the Butte du Mesnil. After a sanguinary encounter the Germans succeeded in regaining part of the trenches lost last week. A further attempt, in which three German battalions participated, was repulsed. In a third assault the Germans took 125 prisoners, but the French forces regained the lost positions after a spirited counterattack. Our artillery participated in these operations.

"Artillery duels took place along the entire front. A decided increase in the intensity of bombardments was noted. The British have taken over an additional segment of the French line. The transfer of an appreciable mileage of the front below St. Quentin was made to the British without difficulty or delay."

Wanted to Relieve Shortage.

A Wyoming man tells of a man in that State who was taken into custody on the charge of making counterfeit money.

During the course of his preliminary examination the magistrate said:

"So you admit having been engaged in making counterfeit bills?"

"Yes, your honor," responded the culprit, "and I thought it was all right. You see, the supply of the genuine article is so very, very scarce."—Denver News.

Traveler (In London hotel)—I'd like room on the third floor. Clerk—Up or down, sir?—Life.

NEGRO IS LYNCHED.

Walter Best Taken From Sheriff and Hanged at Fairfax.

Fairfax, S. C., Feb. 23.—Walter Best, a negro, was taken from the sheriff and two deputies by a mob of 100 men this afternoon and hanged to a tree by the roadside. He killed William Wilson, a young white man, about 4:30 o'clock this afternoon.

Sheriff J. B. Morris and two deputies were taking the negro from Fairfax to the county jail at Barnwell when the mob took the prisoner from the automobile in which he was being carried, hanged his body to a tree and riddled it with bullets.

The slaying of William Wilson occurred at a garage operated by J. T. Wilson, where William Wilson was employed. Best is said to have come to the shop with an automobile tire, demanding that it be repaired free of charge on the ground that J. T. Wilson, Jr., now a soldier at Camp Jackson, had repaired the tire some time ago and guaranteed it. The elder Wilson disclaimed responsibility and refused to make the repairs without being paid for the work. The negro, it is declared, thereupon used insulting language to the proprietor who ordered him to leave the premises. On Best's refusal to do so the younger Wilson stepped between the negro and J. T. Wilson, the latter being in feeble health.

William Wilson then reiterated the demand that the negro leave the place, but instead of complying Best drew a revolver and fired on young Wilson at close range with fatal effect.

The negro ran away but was soon captured by a policeman and placed in the town guardhouse. The sheriff was notified and with two deputies came for the prisoner at once.

The journey to the county seat was begun but had continued only one mile when the mob seized and lynched the prisoner.

Domestic Science Club Elect Officers.

The Domestic Science Club met on Friday afternoon with Mrs. J. J. Smoak, and the following officers were elected: Mrs. B. W. Simmons, president; Mrs. J. F. Carter, vice president; Mrs. J. J. Smoak, secretary.

Three new names were added to the membership roll, and all ladies interested are requested to join.

After the business was finished, the meeting was turned over to Mrs. Faust, county demonstration agent. The lesson for the month was gardening. Mrs. Faust demonstrated with a model, the making of hot beds and cold frames, and discussed soils, fertilizers, and insect pests of the garden.

Helpful suggestions for porch boxes, roses and other flowers were given by the members in general discussion.

Poultry keeping is the subject for the next meeting, which will be on the 15th of March with Mrs. C. J. Field.

Buying War Savings Stamps.

The sale of war savings and war thrift stamps at the local postoffice has shown a marked increase within the past week or two. Many children in the city now have thrift stamp books and are filling them systematically with stamps. One gentleman in the city has purchased two one-hundred dollar certificates, one of each of his two little boys.

The buying of these stamps is an excellent method of getting the children to save their money. These stamps serve a two-fold purpose—the inculcation of the saving habit and helping the government. Of course everybody knows that the government must raise many millions of dollars to prosecute the war, and in this everybody, even the poorest people, can have a part.

All that is necessary to start to saving war stamps is to go to your nearest postoffice, buy one stamp for 25c and procure a stamp book. The stamp is attached to this book just like an ordinary postage stamp. You keep on buying stamps until you have filled the book and then you exchange it for a \$5.00 stamp, which bears interest at four per cent., and is redeemable in five years.

William Elliot, State food administrator, has received from a wholesale firm in the State \$277.82 for violation of the regulations as to the sale of sugar. He says the violation was evidently not intentional. The sum has been turned over to the Red Cross society.

IN THE PALMETTO STATE

SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

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

Three cases of meningitis had occurred in Calhoun county up to the 22nd inst.

Prof. Z. J. Edge, vice president of Anderson college, has accepted the presidency of Hardin college, Mexico, Mo., and will leave for his new field on the first of May.

S. M. McAdams had a carload of hogs shipped to him at Iva, Anderson county, and put them in a shed where there was nitrate of soda. Forty-two of them died.

Within the past sixty days three teachers in the Anderson city schools got married, three resigned just so, and two went to the hospital. The superintendent says it is a problem to get teachers enough.

Policeman Stuart and Deputy Martin, of Anderson, received checks for \$500 each recently as reward for the arrest of an Anderson negro who moved to Detroit, murdered a woman there and came back to this State.

Gaffney has been selected as the 1918 convention city for the South Carolina Press Association. No date for the meeting was fixed. A meeting of the executive committee of the association was held in Columbia Friday.

The University of South Carolina gave its eleventh professor to the government in its war activities when Prof. J. Bruce Coleman, head of the department of mathematics, volunteered his services to the United States Aero Corps.

W. Henry Strickland, a member of the Columbia police force, dropped dead Thursday night while on duty. He and two other officers had placed a drunken negro in the patrol wagon, when the other two policemen noticed Mr. Strickland had fallen to the ground. He expired instantly. Death was attributed to heart failure.

A twelve-year-old negro girl, Lillian Brown, of Anderson, has received \$9,000 insurance from the government on account of the death of her father, Walter E. Brown, an Anderson negro, who enlisted in the regular army many years ago and had been serving as a private in the 368th field hospital, Ninety-second division.

Two soldiers at Camp Sevier, Privates Heinrich Adler, 105th ammunition train, and Julius Rubenstein, base hospital, have been arrested by United States Marshal C. J. Lyon on confidential instructions from Washington and are lodged in the county jail, presumably awaiting further instructions. The charge against them is not stated.

Osborne Lewis, negro, died on February 12, at his home above Good Hope, Saluda county, in his 110th year. He was born March 8, 1808, four years before the last war with England, and served in the Mexican war. He was born in Virginia and brought to this section by the family that owned him. Although he lived a free man over half a century, 50 years of his life was spent in slavery. Lewis was in good health up to two weeks before his death, and it is said was able to walk seven or eight miles.

Same Here.

Pat walked into the postoffice. After getting into the telephone box he called the wrong number. As there was no such number the switch attendant did not answer him.

Pat got angry at this and, turning to the postmaster, said he did not get an answer.

The lady of the postoffice opened the door and told him to shout a little louder, which he did, but still no answer.

Again she said he would require to speak louder.

Pat got angry at this and, turning to the lady, said:

"Begorra, if I could shout any louder I wouldn't use your bloomin' ould telephone at all!"—Pall Mall Gazette.

Patrick Henry's great-grandson, Robert Taylor, the oldest newsboy of Richmond, Va., has presented to the State, through Governor Stuart, a bronze bust of the great Virginia orator.

GAME WARDEN'S RECORD.

Senate Committee Makes Public its Findings.—All But One Sustained.

Columbia, Feb. 21.—All but one one of the charges against the official record of A. A. Richardson, former chief game warden of the State, brought by Governor Manning in his veto message of last year, were sustained by the majority opinion of the senate committee investigating the Chief Executive's allegations. The report was signed by Senator Alan Johnstone, of Newberry, and Senator J. W. McCown, of Florence, and was made public late this afternoon, along with a minority statement by Senator D. Reece Williams, of Lancaster, chairman, and the remaining member of the committee. Senator Williams found that two of the governor's charges were partially sustained, one proved but a satisfactory explanation offered, a fourth correct from a superficial viewpoint, but was proved justified by the former game warden, and another was not sustained.

Cochran-Cleveland.

Quite a surprise to their friends was the marriage yesterday of Miss Margaret Chevallette Cochran, originally from Charleston, and Mr. Arthur Franklin Cleveland, son of Dr. Jesse F. Cleveland. The wedding took place at the Church of the Advent yesterday morning, Rev. W. H. K. Pendleton officiating. Only the members of the two families were present. Mrs. Cleveland wore a beautiful gray suit, with becoming accessories. Immediately after the marriage Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland left for a wedding trip to Florida.

Mrs. Cleveland is the daughter of Mrs. D. A. Cochran, of Charleston, a sister of Mrs. James Boyd, of Connecticut avenue, and a niece of Mrs. James D. Nelson, of North Church street. She taught at the Fremont Avenue school for a number of years and has endeared herself to a wide circle of associates and friends.

Mr. Cleveland is in the office of J. F. and J. B. Cleveland, and is a young business man for whom all have a good word.

Before their return Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland will visit in Charleston, but they expect to be at home at Cleveland Hall, on Howard street, by March 12.—Spartanburg Herald, Feb. 24.

Mrs. Cleveland, as Miss Cochran, is well known in Bamberg. She is a niece of Capt. and Mrs. W. S. Bamberg, and has been a frequent visitor here, where she has numerous friends, who will be interested to know of her marriage.

Week of Prayer.

The ladies of the missionary society of the Baptist church will observe one week of prayer for home missions the first week of March. These meetings will be held in the homes of the various members, beginning at 4 o'clock. The members are urged to attend and the ladies of the other denominations are cordially invited. It is hoped that the ladies will try their best to come at the appointed hour and not delay the meeting. The following are the meetings scheduled.

Monday—At the home of Mrs. G. F. Hair, Mrs. Hair leader; subject, "The challenge of the frontier to W. M. U. workers."

Tuesday—At the home of Mrs. S. H. Counts, Mrs. Counts leader; subject, "The mountain schools."

Wednesday—At the home of Mrs. J. C. Lewis, Miss Martin leader; subject, "S. B. C. women in Cuba and the Canal Zone."

Thursday—At the home of Mrs. F. O. Brabham, Mrs. Brabham leader; subject, "Woman's work for the new American."

Friday—At the home of Mrs. A. B. Utsey, Mrs. Utsey leader; subject, "Woman's work for the negro."

Colston Clippings.

Colston, February 26.—Misses Mamie McMillan and Alberta Kearse spent Saturday night and Sunday with Misses Minnie and Evelyn Kirkland.

We are very glad to know that the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Beard, who has been very ill, is much better.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Kirkland and family, of Bamberg, visited relatives in this section Sunday.

A good many visitors were present at preaching services Sunday afternoon. Welcome, visitors; come again.

Read The Herald, \$1.50 a year.

TWELVE PERSONS KILLED

MOST DISASTROUS WRECK IN THE STATE.

Passenger Trains Collide.—Train No. 42 From Spartanburg Ran Into No. 18 From Greenville.

Columbia, Feb. 26.—Twelve persons were killed and 38 injured, some very painfully, yesterday afternoon, when Southern train No. 42 from Spartanburg crashed into the rear end of train No. 18, operated between Columbia and Greenville. The wreck occurred near Frost, six and one-half miles from Columbia. Both trains were southbound. The accident happened at 2.20 o'clock.

Train No. 18 was compelled to stop to repair a crossover pipe in the airbrakes. Harry Locklair, flagman, 523 Senate street, Columbia, was stationed up the road while the repair was in progress. With the pipe adjusted, the flagman was signalled in. Hardly had the train begun to move off before No. 42 bore down upon No. 18 and the terrific impact drove the rear steel coach of the front train more than half way through the wooden coach directly ahead.

Ten persons were killed outright. Two died after being brought to the Columbia Hospital. One, W. C. Tomlinson, was pinned beneath the wreckage. Both legs were fractured and badly crushed. Though suffering terribly, he bore the pain with unusual fortitude and assisted in writhing himself about to help those extricating him from the debris. Mrs. Sarah L. Johnson, of Columbia, also died soon after being brought to the hospital. Of those injured, ten were women.

Responsibility for the wreck can not be determined until the inquest is held at noon today. Three possibilities were suggested yesterday afternoon.

One was that the flagman might have failed to leave a torpedo on the track to signal No. 42 of the close proximity of the train moving directly ahead.

Rules require that train No. 42 be held 10 minutes at Bookman. It is not known whether the train was kept in leash by the operator, that the proper "spacing" might be established.

Another factor which could have contributed to the wreck was the speed at which train No. 42 moved. Should this train have exceeded its limit, it would have been easily possible to get on the schedule of train No. 18, it was also pointed out.

The fireman on the rear train said he was the first to discover the train directly ahead as his engine bore around the curve. He shouted to Engineer Branch Long. The emergency brakes were applied, but the trains immediately collided and as the front train had begun to move off, the cars were driven possible 150 yards before brought to a stop. The fireman on 42 jumped and escaped without injury. Engineer Long had two ribs broken.

Cupid Bars Overalls.

Towanda, Pa.—One of the young men employed by the Lehigh Valley Railroad purchased a new pair of overalls and found pinned inside the name of a young woman, who was supposed to have made them. He accordingly sent a letter to her. Last night he received a letter reading: "I am a working girl, but I am making a good living and do not care to be married to support a husband, as would probably be the case with a fellow who gets mashed on a girl he never saw. Permit me further to say that I do not know how my card got in a few days. If I do marry it will be some one who can afford something better than a 47-cent pair of breeches."

School Officials Get Royalties.

New York.—Virtually every member of the board of superintendents, which selects the text books for the public schools of New York city "is an author, co-author, compiler or editor of one or more of the text books now on the list," according to a report filed with Mayor Mitchell by Commissioner of Accounts Wallstein. This report deals with an investigation into the accounts and methods of the bureau of supplies of the department of education. "Having written a book to be published on a royalty basis," the report continues, "would it not be natural that the author should be eager for a large sale?"

COMMON PLEAS COURT.

Two Weeks Session Will be Held, Commencing Next Monday.

A two weeks' session of the court of common pleas will be convened in Bamberg next Monday morning, with Judge I. W. Bowman presiding. Only civil cases will be tried. The juries for the two weeks follow:

FIRST WEEK.

T. U. Cox. J. O. Ritter. T. F. Richardson. H. H. Kearse. Gray E. Ayer. H. N. Folk. L. A. Griffith. W. D. Sease. J. W. Wilson. J. T. England. Grover C. Crider. Willie M. Mather. G. C. Turner. G. L. Sandifer. E. H. Hartzog. J. H. Murphy. H. J. A. McMillan. C. E. Sandifer. J. C. Hiers, Jr. J. B. McCormack. W. H. Zorn, Jr. F. C. Ayer. F. M. Steedly. L. M. Ayer (Olar). J. J. Creech. R. M. Kearse. J. Wms. Carter. R. F. Walker. W. M. Bolten. E. H. Eaves. Luther Morris. W. H. Richardson. J. D. Kirkland. W. W. Barker. S. W. Sandifer. T. J. Cook.

SECOND WEEK.

J. F. Breland, Jr. G. E. Ritter. F. B. Drowdy. W. S. Hutto. G. W. Beard, Jr. A. J. Paige. J. L. Kinard. J. G. Rhoad. C. M. Kinard. H. L. Griffin. J. A. Bessinger. J. R. Jones. G. M. Chitty. E. D. Bessinger. G. E. Kearse. J. E. Gibson. W. H. Carter. W. H. Ritter. J. G. Beard. J. W. Stokes. S. E. Neeley. B. E. Jordan. W. D. Rhoad. M. E. Ayer. J. F. Clayton. N. B. Crider. H. K. Clayton. Jacob F. Bishop. W. H. Patrick. W. W. Steedly. J. P. Bishop. M. J. Free. C. R. Brabham. Sr. G. T. Kinard. G. C. Padgett. D. R. Morrow.

To Survey Government Road.

Supervisor McMillan has been notified that government engineers will arrive in Bamberg on March 4th to survey the road which will be built in cooperation with the federal government. The road that has been selected for this purpose runs from Buford's Bridge, Barnwell county, to New Bidge, on the Orangeburg line, thus giving one highway completely across Bamberg county. For the purpose of building this road the county draws upon the federal road fund to the extent of about \$10,000, the county spending a like sum. It was planned to build two highways across the county, but the second road has not yet been agreed upon. However, as this is only the beginning of government aid for roadbuilding, other roads will be built later. All roads upon which federal money is used are built under government supervision.

Red Cross News Notes.

All ladies who have finished their Red Cross sweaters or other knitted articles, please hand them in to their chairman, as the transportation committee expects to make a shipment to headquarters on Friday or Saturday. MRS. E. O. KIRSCH, Chr.

The local Red Cross chapter made a large shipment of pillows to headquarters on February 21. This case contained 84 pillows—17 contributed by the Kearse branch, 22 by the colored branch and 45 by the Bamberg chapter. Two hundred and ten of the allotted 250 have been shipped.

Special comment has been made upon the work of the colored branch, which has been lately organized. They are very enthusiastic and are making preparations for a splendid work. MRS. C. E. BLACK.

New Advertisements.

H. N. Folk—Lost. J. T. O'Neal—For Sale. J. B. Hunter—For Sale. G. B. Clayton—For Sale. G. Victor Kearse—Wanted. J. J. Smoak—Just Arrived. Owen Bros.—Bamberg Agency. F. K. Graham—Save 20 Per Cent. H. C. Folk Co.—Great Reduction. Klauber's—Spring Suits, Coats etc. Bamberg Dry Goods Store—Call to War. Peoples Bank—Have You Got Money? Enterprise Bank—The Money Question. Bamberg Banking Co.—Briefly Speaking. S. C. Live Stock Ass'n—Come to Columbia. J. B. Brickle—Your Broken Motorcycle. Bamberg Banking Co.—First Bank of New York. Farmers and Merchants Bank—My Money is Gone! Chero-Cola Co.—The Wholesomeness of Chero-Cola. Planters Fertilizer and Phosphate Co.—Farmers Make More Money.