

The Spirit of the "Coker Girls."

In this time of struggle, while the youth of our nation is fast going to the front, it behooves us, as citizens, to do every possible thing for them, and for our national welfare. We have responded to the appeal for conservation and for Red Cross work. These things are well and necessary, but we must do our utmost. For the help of our allies, and the support of our own nation, we have been called upon to lend our money to "Uncle Sam" in the form of Liberty Loan Bonds. There have been two campaigns for this purpose, and each time the sum realized has exceeded the amount asked for.

How, our government has seen fit to launch a third bond issue for 3,000,000,000. The State of New York has opened the campaign with subscriptions amounting to \$100,000,000, and we feel sure that the response from the other parts of our country will not be less generous. Let us, both men and women, with the patriotic and truly American spirit, lend our prayers and our influence, as well as our money for the success of this Third Liberty Loan Bond Campaign.

Minnie Lanham.

In answer to the Third Liberty Loan Bond Campaign, which is a direct cry from our boys for us at home to prove the loyalty and devotion we have so passionately affirmed. Our answer will ring out clear and sure, "all that we have we are ready and eager to lay on the altar of freedom for our country, and love and life for our boys."

Bessie Bean.

"Breathes there a man with soul so dead,
Who never to himself hath said:
My country's call I will obey
And buy a war loan bond to-day?"

Will you not, by joining in this most patriotic undertaking, help make the prayer of our nation for a swift and sure victory come true?

Florence Mims.

(Extracts from papers written on the Liberty Bonds by three Coker girls being requested to write the paper by their teacher of English.)

"Clean-Up Week" in Edgefield This Week.

Clean-up week in Edgefield began Monday, April 15th. The ladies composing the Civic League beg the hearty co-operation of every man, woman and child. The inspection committees will call on the housekeepers on Friday, April 19th. Let them have your sympathy and moral support. We are working for good health, and a "City Beautiful." Let the old town be in keeping with the beautiful "City of the Dead."

During the week the Civic League will give the following prizes to the housekeeper with the most cleanly premises, front and back yards.

1st prize, \$5.00, second prize, \$2.50.

For the colored people, 1st prize, \$3.00, second prize \$2.00.

The inspection committee will report to the president of the League, Mrs. W. L. Dunovant, the most cleanly premises in their individual street, taking into consideration the size of the yards and work accomplished. These committees will be followed by a second inspection committee, composed of three ladies who are not members of the Civic League, who will award the final prizes.

In order to make our homes more attractive, the Civic League is planning a porch box contest for the coming spring and summer months. It is earnestly desired that every home be represented in this contest. Plan your boxes, and hand your names to Mrs. R. G. Shannonhouse and Mrs. Lovick Smith. The prizes will be, 1st prize, \$3.00; second prize, \$2.

An inspection committee will visit the homes entering the contest about the first of July. While the war clouds are hanging low, let us keep up our civic life and make brighter the hearts at home.

Clean-Up Week Committees.
To inspect the yards from the Court House to the depot, including Norris street: Miss Virginia Addison, Mrs. Benj. Lovick Mims. Mrs. A. H. Corley will notify the housekeepers on this street and ask their co-operation.

From the Postoffice to Mr. McManus', including the street to Mr. Covar's. Mrs. J. G. Edwards, Miss Annie DeLoach. Mrs. W. B. Cogburn will notify the housekeepers on this street, and ask their personal co-operation.

From the Court House to Mr. Wallace Holston's, including the street to the Misses Abney and the street to Mr. Frank Jones': Mrs. J. G. Holland, Miss Virginia Simkins, Miss Marjorie Tompkins will notify the housekeepers on this street.

From the Court House to Mr. S. E. Morgan's: Mrs. A. E. Padgett, Miss Sophia Dobson. Mrs. S. M. Smith will notify the ladies on this street and ask their co-operation.

From the Court House to Mr. Covar's including the street to Sheriff Swearingen's: Mrs. Benj. E. Nicholson, Mrs. C. E. May. Mrs. H. H. Sanders will notify on this street.

From Griffin Hill to Mrs. L. S. Kernaghan's, Mrs. C. J. Dennis, Mrs. W. S. Adams. Mrs. W. E. Lott will notify on this street.

From Judge Kinnaird's to Mrs. Jas. Hart's including the street leading to Mr. Jesse Hart's: Mrs. J. L. Mims, Mrs. Hugh Mitchell, Mrs. Roger T. Hill will notify the housekeepers on these streets and ask their co-operation.

To inspect the yards of the colored people: Mrs. T. H. Rainsford, Mrs. W. L. Dunovant, Jr. Andrew Simkins will notify the housekeepers and ask their co-operation.

Committees to see the merchants and business men of Edgefield and ask their co-operation: Mrs. W. L. Dunovant, Mrs. Milton Jones, Mrs. Lovick Smith.

Committee to see the Mayor and ask the loan of the men and teams for the removal of trash: Mrs. W. L. Dunovant, Mrs. N. G. Evans, Mrs. R. A. Marsh.

Red Cross Activities in Edgefield.

Work of the woman's department of the Edgefield Red Cross Chapter for the past month consisted of:

60 completed garments by the Edgefield chapter.
24 completed garments by the Trenton branch.
28 sweaters from Edgefield.
12 sweaters from Trenton branch.
12 pairs of socks from Edgefield.
7 pairs of socks from Trenton branch.

3 baby kits from Edgefield children.
422 second hand garments for the French and Belgian Relief, quite a large number of which is to be credited to the Trenton branch.

Junior auxiliary work at the school are bags 12x18 of bright colored cretonne to be used in the hospitals as soldiers property bags.

Ladies of the Episcopal church meet every Friday afternoon to sew on garments.

The girls from the High School meet on Tuesdays.

A formal organization of the U. D. C. auxiliary will take place in the near future.

On Saturday afternoon we were delighted to have with us the following interested workers from the Trenton branch: Mrs. J. D. Mathis, Mrs. Samuel Morrall, Mrs. Wallace Wise and Mrs. Eidson. These women report very enthusiastic work from their branch. They are giving us wonderful support.

Meeting of the Edgefield U. D. C.

On account of the absence from town of the chairman of publicity for the U. D. C., this report was omitted from last week's paper.

The chapter met at the Red Cross rooms on Saturday, April 6th, with not as large a membership as we could have wished present.

The meeting was presided over by the president, Mrs. E. P. Jones, who welcomed Mrs. O. D. Black, our district president, in a few very interesting and complimentary remarks.

Mrs. Black, in her response, spoke appreciatively of our punctuality in meeting all obligations and gave us encouragement along all lines. She stressed the recommendations of our President General, Miss Mary Popenheim, especially those pertaining to the Red Cross work in all of its departments. Mrs. Black said that we should never cease to appreciate Maj. Lyon's co-operation with us in our observance of "historical day," and in all our efforts to bring our work before the public and to interest our children in U. D. C. endeavor. She complimented the Bald Eagle Chapter, and spoke in high terms of the entertainment that they gave on Carolina Day at the school building.

After Mrs. Black's talk, a very interesting historical program was carried out. Mrs. B. L. Mims read a paper written by Dr. Wm. Jones, Lee's notable chaplain, on Lee's surrender to Grant, and Mrs. E. P. Jones read a beautiful poem on Lee, after which the business of forming committees for Memorial Day was taken up. Mrs. Jones announced that Dr. Wm. S. Brooke, of Johnston, had agreed to come to make the address on that occasion. The following are the committees asked to serve, and if any of these ladies find it impossible to do so they will please notify Mrs. Jones at once.

Committee to Decorate Soldiers Monument, the one on the square, and the one to the unknown dead: Mesdames Herbert Smith, chairman, J. D. Holstein, N. G. Evans, W. J. Duncan, A. H. Corley and Miss Charlton Dozier.

Committee to decorate building where exercises will be held: Mesdames B. E. Jones, chairman, and Lovick Smith, Misses Sadie Mims, Snow Jeffries, Marjorie Tompkins.

FOR SALE—Lookout Mountain potatoes at \$3.25 per bushel. J. W. Quarles, Edgefield, S. C., R. F. D. 2, 4-10-19td.

JOHNSTON LETTER.

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spent the remainder of the afternoon sewing.

On Saturday the Michael Watson chapter, D. A. R., of Kidgee, had a "Flower and Baby Show," the proceeds to go to help restoring the village of Tillaloy.

The knitting done by the local Red Cross was on exhibit, and especially pretty were the caps for the little French war babies.

Mrs. Sweeney had exhibited a knitted woolen blanket, done by her mother in 1862. This was knit in squares, and many of the members were making similar squares, and a blanket would be made and sent on with the other articles.

The flower exhibit was beautiful. The judges were Mesdames M. T. Turner, W. S. Mobley and Miss Zena Payne.

There were about thirty little ones, from nine weeks to three years of age, to enter the show, Dr. Price Timmerman of Batesburg being the judge. There were three entries under one, two and three years. The youngest baby won the first prize. A good amount was made, this being added to by selling all kinds of cake and cream.

Rev. W. S. Brooke has gone to Danville, Va., to carry on a series of religious meetings. There will be no preaching service next Sunday in his absence.

Lieut. Chas. Early, Mr. Brice Feagle and Miss Mona Early have been guests in the home of Mr. W. W. Satcher.

Two more entertainments are being planned for by organizations here, the proceeds of which will be used in War Relief work.

Mrs. J. L. Walker is chairman of the one under the auspices of the New Century club, which will be May 3.

Miss Eva Rushton is coaching the play which the Junior Red Cross will give, the date of this not yet having been announced.

Miss Sallie Heyward was hostess for the Apollo music club on Thursday afternoon, and at business the entertainment committee reported about \$25.00 made by repeating the "Allies' Dream." Of this \$15.00 was voted to be sent to the General Chairman of the Victory War Commission to do community work in France.

Delegates were elected to the State Federation in Aiken April 25-26.

Mrs. E. R. Mobley, alternate, Mrs. T. R. Hoyt; Miss Clara Sawyer; alternate, Miss Anna Harms. The fact that Mrs. Trueworthy White and Mrs. Cotton will be in attendance, and also the probability of Dr. Anna Howard Shaw being present will make a large attendance of the members, who can enjoy the business sessions.

There were four singers discussed: Gluck, McCormick, Lander and Miller, with several musical selections.

The hostess served a delicious repast. There were several visitors present.

Through Mrs. Mamie Huiet was presented the idea of the Sunday school classes in the Baptist church contributing to the Bible fund, which will help to put a Bible in the hands of all soldiers, this being well explained in Sunday school lines. About \$25.00 is on hand, only about four of the classes being ready to respond, but all of them will consider giving to this worthy cause.

In reply to the urgent call for the churches to make a special offering last Sunday for foreign missions, the Baptist church here gave \$500. By the budget system the members had subscribed the amount for the association, this special gift being above this.

The Liberty Bond drive was well worked during the past week, and besides the committee of gentlemen, the force of ladies are getting good results. The drive will continue on, and much interest is being manifested in the third Liberty Loan.

The friends of Mr. S. J. Watson are deeply concerned over his serious illness.

About two weeks ago he was ill with grippe, but had about recovered, and on last Sunday afternoon while coming with Dr. Sikes from Edgefield he had trouble with his car on the muddy hills, and getting out in the rain and walking on the muddy roads brought about a relapse.

On Monday morning he suffered an attack of heart failure, and for awhile was in a most critical state. Dr. Watson of Columbia, with a trained nurse, arrived on Monday afternoon to attend him.

On Monday afternoon while Mr. W. B. Moffett was plowing his garden, while fixing the plow, the horse kicked him in the face, and inflicted severe injuries on the face, breaking his jaw bone and nose and knocking out some of the teeth. The physician had to remove a piece of the jaw bone it was so

badly broken. The extent of the injury cannot yet be seen.

The L. T. L. met Saturday afternoon at the Baptist church, fifteen present, and Mrs. James H. White made the meeting very interesting for the little ones.

Several songs were sung, and later the birthday of the great Japanese W. C. T. U. worker, Madam Yahmia, was celebrated.

Miss Sadie Mae Still, well dressed in Japanese costume, represented the Madam, and told something of the work.

A query, "What Would You do if You Lived in Japan?" was had.

A march with the flags of the dry States now dry concluded the meeting.

Leaders in Rural Life.

The responsibility for good farming and progressive citizenship resting upon us is greater than most of us believe. Not only does every farmer have the responsibilities of managing his farm in a profitable manner, supporting his own family, thus giving his wife and children the necessities and the comforts of life, but there is also an additional responsibility resting upon the head of the family, that of neighborhood interest. We do not live to ourselves, neither do we die to ourselves. Good or bad our influence will live after us.

There are young men and young women in every neighborhood whose characters are being formed. Some of them will be influenced by you; many of them will adopt principles of conduct, methods of farm management and community interest which you practice and which may have been an asset or a liability to your success.

There are always striking characters in the community. There at the same time those who make very little impression upon others. The leaders for progress are more responsible than others, yet those who oppose advancement from a selfish motive or from antiquated ideas of farming have their friends associates.

The problem is not to divide the neighborhood so that the side that prevails in any contest for improvement loses influence and prestige, but to unite upon what is best for the community regardless of selfish interests and personal ideals.—Ranch.

Producing the Food.

Whatever may be the result of withdrawing owners, laborers and tenants from farms it is not believed that this will in any way reduce the demand for farms, nor discourage those who are trying to pay for homes. On the contrary, it is believed that the greater demand for food and feed with increasing prices, will enable many who have heretofore been unable to buy and pay for farms, because of poor marketing and excessive charges for handling farmer's products, to own farms.

Of one thing we may be sure, that so long as the country is in such urgent need of food and feed farmers will have far greater opportunities than in the past when they were in many instances discriminated against because they were unorganized and could not take care of their own interest.

That the people will be required to pay higher prices for foods during the war seems certain. This is not because farmers are in control of the markets or the distributing facilities, but because supply and demand, when not interfered with by price fixing and embargoes, make it necessary.

They are profiteers and they are seriously interfering with our war preparations and discouraging consumption of foods more or less abundant. But they are not found on farms. Farmers will be willing to sacrifice to produce the nation's food and undergo any reasonable deprivation to hasten our war preparations and to co-operate with the various agencies of the government to maintain our country at home while our army and navy help conquer the enemy of civilization. All farmers want is an equal chance with others in doing their part to win the war.—Farm and Ranch.

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FOURFOLD KINGDOM

Life Summed Up in the Words "to Have," "to Do," "to Be" and "to See."

"But seek ye first the kingdom of God.—Matt. 6:33.

Each human life may be summed up in the words "to have," "to do," "to be" and "to see." These interrelate themselves and show human life as progressive. When these are duly fostered human life is reaching out toward its best.

The earliest to show itself is the desire "to have." The infant's active fingers are the visible expression of the latent instincts of the soul. God's provision for rapid development is the active, impelling instinct to have, to own. Experience shows how the conditions may best be met. Nature presents herself in her possible abundance of fruits and wealth, love and friendships, comfort and health, home and happiness, and says, "Obey and you may have. Fail to obey and you lose." God presents himself in Jesus and by the very possibilities of human excellence then awakened says, "Obey me and this excellence you may have." To seek to know and fully realize this consciousness of God is the most pressing need of the human heart and the greatest need of our present time. The peoples of the earth need again to become God-conscious. Then they will become sane, human, brotherly. But they must become God-conscious on a new level—the level of altruism rather than selfishness. Then "to have" will be inclusive rather than exclusive of others.

The Desire to Do.
But "to have" is not the highest instinct and therefore does not develop our highest nature. Merely "to possess" is a quality we have in common with every other creature. "To do" is higher than "to have." "To have" gives entrance into the kingdom of property, "to do" gives entrance into the kingdom of service. And for a human being service is more enriching than possession. A man does not know God until he knows himself and something about his fellow men. No man will use God until he knows man. No man can rebuild his own or another human life until he weeps over the ruin or failure he has seen or experienced. Right is the first condition of service and love is the second. "To do" is thus a method of growth in the kingdom of God—it is also one of the essential points.

But even service must have its source of inspiration. "To be" is therefore higher than "to do." This gives entrance into the kingdom of character. In the last analysis a man does what he is. True character is not a building, it is a presence, the presence of God in the soul. Character may not be salvation, but it certainly is the assuring proof that God is coming to his own in us. A man is not a Christian whose religion is something added onto the other things he says are his. If his religion is not pervading and so breathing through each one of these as to make them distinctive, then his life is not Christian.

The Desire to See.
The highest of all is "to see." Without vision nations perish, for without vision souls perish. Many men have committed soul suicide who are still active in the pursuits of life. But their activities lack supreme purpose. Many a man makes high claims for himself who knows not that God has departed from him. On the spirit there must be light. In the heart there must be expectancy. To the eye of the soul there must be more seen than the hand can ever realize or words express. To every climbing soul there must be a temple vision like Isaiah's or an open air vision like Paul's. Beatrice was not merely a woman to Dante—she was the vision of a beautiful character. Hawthorne had in his own soul much of the mystic when he wrote about "The Stone Face" and made Ernest become like the face he had so devoutly studied and loved. This is the kingdom of vision in which is found the light which gives all the other kingdoms their possibility of enjoyment and realization. Blessed is the man who is thus daily living this fourfold life!—Rev. John R. Mackay, D. D., North Presbyterian Church, New York.

Everlasting Love.
Love is the greatest thing that God can give us; for himself is love, and it is the greatest thing we can give God, for it will give ourselves and carry with it all that is ours.

He that can say, "Nothing shall separate me from the love of God in Christ," will be able to triumph in the midst of the greatest tribulations. A soul that lives under the assurance of divine favor cannot but bear up patiently and quietly under the greatest sufferings that possibly can befall in the world. Love should be the supreme thing because it is going to last, because in the nature of things it is eternal life.—Selected.

Simplicity.
I value more and more every day the signs of simplicity, the people who say what they mean and as they mean it; who don't think what they think is expected of them, but what they really feel; who don't pretend to enjoy what they don't enjoy, or to understand what they don't understand.—A. C. Benson.

Prayer.
A prayer in its simplest definition is merely a wish turned Godward.—Selected.

RED CROSS TO COLLECT CLOTHING FOR BELGIUM

Hoover Asks Davison's Aid In Work Of Relief

Beginning March 18 and ending March 25, a seven day, nation-wide campaign will be carried on by the American Red Cross and the Commission for Relief in Belgium to secure a minimum quantity of 5,000 tons of clothes for the destitute people of Belgium and the occupied portions of Northern France. At the request of Herbert Hoover, chairman of the Commission for Relief in Belgium, Henry P. Davison, chairman of the Red Cross War Council, has granted the use of the national Red Cross organization for collecting the needed clothing.

As the commission has allowed most of its local committees to disband because of the financial arrangements made last June with the government, it has turned to the Red Cross for help. Where the local committees of the Relief Commission are still intact, they will work side by side with the Red Cross Chapters.

The practically entire exhaustion of clothing, shoes, and leather in occupied Belgium and Northern France and the shortage of these necessities in the world's markets are making it increasingly difficult for the Commission to keep clothed and shod the unfortunate people in these territories. In addition to new material, gifts of used and surplus clothing, shoes, blankets, flannel cloth, etc., are needed in large quantities from the people of the United States.

The donations will be shipped at once to the Atlantic seaboard and sent overseas for distribution.

CANTEEN SERVICE FOR SAMMIES IN FRANCE

Red Cross To Serve Boys In The Front Line Trenches

The American Red Cross has just arranged to establish with the American troops in France a front line canteen service similar to that through which they have served more than a million pills with hot drinks during the last six months, according to a cable just received by the War Council from Major James H. Perkins, Red Cross Commissioner to France.

This will consist of rolling canteens stationed close behind the front line trenches. There are now fifteen of these operating behind the French lines, from which fifty or more large receptacles of hot drinks are sent forward daily, usually in the small hours of the morning. These drinks are served free to the men going on or coming off duty.

This service has proven of such value to the French that the American army has asked the Red Cross to have this service directly in touch with the medical relief stations nearest the front. The work is often done under heavy shell fire and requires men of great bravery and sympathy.

The American army officers are manifesting a keen interest in having this service at the disposal of the American troops and have asked the Red Cross to enlist a substantial number of men of the highest caliber to undertake this work. It will be performed at the point nearest the firing line at which civilians are permitted.

NURSES NEEDED IN MILITARY HOSPITALS

Surgeon General Asks Red Cross To Supply 5,000 Nurses

Surgeon General Gorgas of the United States army has called upon the American Red Cross to supply to the Army Nurse Corps five thousand nurses between now and the first of June. These nurses are needed for service in the military hospitals both in this country and abroad. Although the Red Cross has already supplied nearly 7,000 nurses as a reserve for the Army and Navy Nurse Corps since the beginning of the war, the imperative need for a greater army of nurses grows daily as the war progresses.

According to a statement made by Surgeon General Gorgas, it is estimated that there are between eighty and ninety thousand registered nurses in the United States, and that approximately thirty thousand will be needed for service in army hospitals during the present year. The immediate need for five thousand of these is emphasized.

Miss Jane A. Delano, Director of the Department of Nursing of the American Red Cross said:

"Not only are we appealing to the nurses to volunteer for this service, but we also appeal to the public and to the physicians employing these nurses to aid in making it possible for them, without too great financial sacrifice on their part, to hold themselves in readiness to respond to the call of their country. We wish also to bring to the attention of nurses the unusual opportunity offered by the insurance law enacted for the protection of our army and navy, which applies equally to nurses assigned to duty as members of the Army and Navy Nurse Corps.

"A great responsibility rests upon the nurses of the country. They are the only group of women recognized as a part of the military establishment, and should be looked upon as the representatives of the womanhood of America at the front.

"Not only should the other women of the country encourage nurses to volunteer for service, but they should make every effort possible to protect the nurses holding themselves ready for service and share with them the responsibility and sacrifices necessary."