

Personal and Social News of Joanna

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Rev. and Mrs. James Griffin and children of Newberry, visited Mrs. W. E. Brown last Tuesday afternoon.

Furman Dominick celebrated a birthday on February 9.

Mrs. J. P. Luckaby of Woodruff, spent several days last week with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Craig.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bedenbaugh and family of Newberry, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Livingston and daughters of Prosperity, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Crowder and children of Mountville, visited C. A. Dickey Sunday.

Mac Martin Gwinn is spending a leave with Mrs. Gwinn and son, Billy. He has been stationed at Guantanamo Bay. Mrs. Gwinn, Miss Sue Thomas and Lewis Marshall met him in Atlanta and accompanied him home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Craft of Silverstreet, spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil O'Dell.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Couch visited their daughter, Dixie, at Winthrop College Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Barron O'Shields and Allen, and Mrs. Sara O'Shields, spent the week-end in Atlanta with Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Kennington.

Mrs. Frances Dixon and daughters of Columbia, visited her father, H. P. Bragg, Sunday.

IN VIRGINIA

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Reeder spent last week in Newport News, Va., with their son, Alfred Reed, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Hair of Columbia, Mrs. Hoyt Nobles and Marcia visited Mrs. W. W. Hair Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thomas and family of Orlando, Fla., spent last week-end with Mrs. C. W. Chandler.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Reeves of Myrtle Beach, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. James Simpson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Poag of Greer, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Poag of Whittier Village, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Poag.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Dominick attended the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. Franklin, in Newberry Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Killian and Larry, and Douglas Warren of Prosperity, spent Sunday in Asheville, N. C., with Miss Reba Adams. Miss Adams accompanied them home.

Bill Nabors spent the week-end in Daytona Beach, Fla., and attended the car races.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bishop, Mrs. L. L. Johnson, and Mrs. Leroy Couch were Saturday visitors in Greenville.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Waits, Linda and Vera, of Belton, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Waits, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Nabors.

Jerry Lewis and Jimmy Farmer of Erskine College, Due West, spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Farmer.

HAS BIRTHDAY

Randy Thompson celebrated his 14th birthday February 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Godfrey visited Mr. and Mrs. Perry Dukes in Batesburg Sunday.

A2C Bruce Murphy and A3S Richard Thomas of Savannah, Ga., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Millard Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Murphy, Misses Gail Murphy and Martha Godfrey accompanied them to Savannah Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Moore visited Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brown in Prosperity Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Godfrey spent the week-end in Columbia with Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Ryan Poag and David of Baltimore, Md., were Friday overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Poag. They were called to Whitmore Thursday because of the death of Mrs. Poag's brother, Aaron David Bostic.

Mrs. C. W. Chandler spent the week-end in Greenwood with Mr. Chandler, a patient at Self Memorial hospital, Mr. and Mrs. John Paul Goodman.

W. P. Thomas observed a birthday February 14.

Miss Sue Thomas will celebrate a birthday February 19.

Mrs. C. A. Gwinn, Mr. and Mrs.

Martin Gwinn and Billy visited relatives in Ware Shoals Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Jones and family of Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Attaway and Mrs. Roy O'Dell of Fort Mill, were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil O'Dell.

VISITING IN VIRGINIA

Mrs. H. H. Kelley is spending some time in Arlington, Va., with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kelley.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Huckaby and Johnny of Woodruff, Mrs. Metta Stone and Miss Sara Stone of Clinton, were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Craig.

Mrs. W. E. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Smeath attended the funeral of Walter Wright in Spartanburg Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Arrowood celebrated a birthday February 9.

W. K. Waits spent the week-end in Atlanta, a.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bishop and Bill, Randy Thompson and Johnny Moore, Jr., attended the circus in Greenville Tuesday.

Mrs. Marion Hammi, Leroy Hamm Morton Hamm, Mrs. Ray Surratt and Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Brown, Maxie and Mary Ann, and Mrs. Bessie Hamm attended the funeral of Walter Wright in Spartanburg Sunday.

J. D. Smith of Greenville, N. C., visited J. M. Ross last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Sprouse and family of Williamston, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Culbertson.

Jimmy Riser of Greenville, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Riser.

Mr. and Mrs. Oran Nabors of Laurens, attended the Valentine banquet at the Joanna Baptist Church Saturday night.

WITH THE SICK

Mrs. Janie Norris is a medical patient at Joanan hospital.

Mrs. Jeanette Baker is convalescing at home following surgery at Joanna hospital.

J. C. Lollis received treatment at Joanna hospital several days last week.

Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor has returned home after being a patient at the local hospital.

Mrs. Nona Bell Clark received treatment at the local hospital last week.

Mrs. Sule Stewart is a medical patient at Joanna hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Poag of Clinton were patients at Joanna hospital last week.

Marion Farmer is receiving treatment at Joanna hospital.

Mrs. Sabry Boyd is a patient at the local hospital.

C. W. Chandler is a patient at Self Memorial hospital in Greenwood.

Mrs. Lula Mae O'Dell has returned home from Greenville General hospital.

SWEETHEART BANQUETS

The Primary Department of Epworth Methodist Church will have a Sweetheart Banquet at the Educational Building tonight (Thursday) at 6:00 p. m.

The Junior Department will have a Sweetheart Banquet in the Educational Building Friday night at 7:00 p. m.

PTA TO MEET

The Parent-Teacher Association of Joanna School will meet Monday, Feb. 22, at 7:00 p. m. in the cafeteria. Founders Day will be observed at this meeting, with the school acting as host. All parents are invited to attend. Cecil B. Bishop is president of the association.

MR. WRIGHT PASSES

Friends will be sorry to know of the death of Walter Wright in Spartanburg. Mr. Wright died suddenly Friday while at work with the Duke Power Company. He was married to the former Miss Allie Bell Hamm of Joanna.

HAS BIRTHDAY PARTY

Miss Paulette Rowe was honored with a birthday party Saturday night at the Joanna Club House.

A number of games were enjoyed.

The birthday cake was white with pink and green decorations.

Party refreshments with cold drinks were served by Paulette's mother, Mrs. F. C. Rowe.

Miss Rowe received many gifts, including a Princess diamond ring, a gift from her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Rowe.

SENSING THE NEWS

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THE NATIONAL DEBT PERIL

President Eisenhower's assurance that his next budget will show a \$4.2 billion surplus comes as a pleasant surprise to the American people. Equally pleasant is the President's stated desire that the surplus be applied to retirement of the national debt.

But whether this surplus will materialize is yet to be seen. The end of the next fiscal year is still eighteen-months away. We have seen many optimistic budget surplus predictions melt away in recent years like snowflakes on a spring day. Moreover, the estimate of a surplus is based entirely on increased income. The best way to assure a surplus is to reduce expenses. This was not advocated.

Senator Harry F. Byrd (D-Va.), the watchdog of the U. S. Treasury, is reported as being baffled as where the money for the surplus is coming from. And no doubt he has

in mind that Congressional spenders—in both political parties—will view any surplus as a melon ripe for cutting. The Foreign-Aiders, the Welfare-Statists, and the Share-America advocates undoubtedly will do their utmost to spend more in stead of lowering the national debt.

The need for debt retirement is very pressing. Senator Byrd, in a recent speech before the American Farm Bureau Federation, addressed himself to this subject. Federal deficit financing, he pointed out, has been the rule for more than a quarter of a century. "But," he noted, "the fiscal situation in the United States government deteriorated faster in fiscal years 1958-59 than in any comparable peacetime period during my 26 years in the Senate."

In this two-year period the nation twice was forced to raise the statutory limit on federal debt. "Today," said the Senator, "the federal debt is still at its all-time peak in the history of this republic. The debt is now \$292.5 billion."

This terrible burden of debt is the result of 24 deficits in the past 29 years. Half of these deficits were incurred during the years when the United States was fighting neither war nor economic depression. Senator Byrd cited the appalling fact that there have been "four deficits totaling \$23 billion since the Korean War was stopped."

The grave meaning of this debt has yet to be made clear to the pose of their obligations. When

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American people. For if they understood what it meant, they surely would demand that their representatives in Congress hew the line of fiscal responsibility. They would call for drastic cuts in federal spending on such boondoggles as foreign aid and farm subsidies, which account for more than \$10 billion a year!

Senator Byrd is no scaremonger. A sound, unemotional man, he does not say that the United States is doomed. What he does say is: "When individuals become insolvent they take bankruptcy and dis-

governments become insolvent their money becomes worthless and they go through a revolution wringer. The nature of the revolutions may vary, but change in the form of government is inevitable."

We need look no farther than France, where bankruptcy was imminent not many months ago, for a good illustration. They solved the problem by accepting a virtual dictatorship. Is that what we want?

This, then, is the danger the nation faces when its representatives don't take steps to live within a budget and reduce astronomical

debt. Tragically, American complacency about such fundamental issues is amazing. The national weakness of character in this respect is ominous. Unless Congress can reform and hold expenditures to a reasonable level, cut down some of the mountain of debt being piled up for future generations, the prospect of this republic enjoying personal liberty and a free economy is bleak indeed. The task of curbing the unreason of the spenders is one that must be pursued in this second session of the 86th Congress.

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