

**ITEMS OVER THE STATE****Short News Notes Gathered From Our Exchanges.**

The town council of Benettsville has purchased \$500 worth of Liberty Bonds.

Unknown parties entered the store of L. Z. Hicks at Hartsville, last week and stole \$37.16.

Buffalo Bill appears in "The Adventures of Buffalo Bill" a five reel feature at the Majestic Monday.

Hilton Turman, aged 9, was killed at Abbeville last week by the accidental discharge of a shot gun.

The Washington street Methodist Sunday school of Columbia has bought a Liberty loan bond valued at \$110.

About 25,000 motor cars have thus far been registered in South Carolina by the state highway commission.

Spartanburg people are waging a campaign for funds for the establishment of a baby hospital at Sabuda, N.C.

At the Majestic today the last chapter of "PATRIOT" featuring Mrs. Vernon Castle.

Mrs. Laura D. Bishop has been appointed postmaster at Ginyville, a new office in Berkeley County, near James town.

Hendrix Rector, sheriff of Greenville county may be a candidate for a state office on the Reform ticket in 1918.

J. Marr fell out of a second story window of a house in Charleston and received injuries from which he died in a hospital.

Will Galloway, serving a two year sentence on the Anderson county chain gang for forgery, made good his escape last week.

Fred E. Rochester, a private in Co. E, First Regiment, S. C. N. G., died in a Columbia hospital Friday of ptomaine poison.

The first load of new crop tobacco of Dillon county was sold in Dillon Saturday by S. W. Rogers. It brought 10 cents a pound.

Thos. H. Peoples, attorney general has rendered an opinion that a peace officer can not search packages in transit without a warrant.

Ten white women between the ages of 15 and 20 are incarcerated in the Greenville county jail. Most of them are charged with vagrancy.

Greenville cotton mills have subscribed for \$100,000 worth of Liberty Loan Bonds which will be resold to the operators on a weekly payment basis.

A. C. Mann has resigned as magistrate of Union township which includes the town of Union. He will be come associated with a law firm in Greenville.

A reprieve of sixty days has been granted Mackey Palmer, an Orangeburg negro sentenced to electrocution June 22 for the murder of Policeman H. H. Franklin.

A flag was raised over the Cowpens battleground monument in Cherokee County Thursday under the auspices of the Gaffney Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution.

George C. Todd, aged 25, was shot and probably fatally wounded in Coopers Saturday night by Frank T. Grimesley. The cause of the shooting is unknown. Grimesley is a decent man.

Captain Robert C. Hixson of Pickens has been promoted to the rank of major of the first regiment, S. C. N. G. He succeeds T. B. Spangler who was appointed Lieutenant colonel some time ago.

Lamper Whisman, salesman for the W. D. Arthur Company, agent for the Gulf Refining Company, was seriously injured and Albert Reid, negro driver was killed near Leckhardt, when the heavy truck in which they were riding crashed into a 15 foot ditch.

An unknown negro attempted assault upon a young white woman living near Easley last Tuesday afternoon. The negro has not been captured. The negro is said to have been coal black and to have weighed about 175 pounds. He wore a black suit and black slouch hat.

H. P. Parish, a barber of Greenwood, was arrested last week charged with bigamy. A few days ago Parish married the daughter of Whit Finley of Greenwood. Later it was discovered that he had a wife and four children living in Swainsboro, Ga. Parish was released later on the intercession of his second wife and her father on condition that he leave the State.

The South Carolina railroad commission has refused to grant a petition of a number of railroads for a general revision of rates between points in South Carolina and a 75 per cent horizontal increase in the Coast Line Railroad Company, Bona Ridge, Conway, Carolina & North Western, Charlotte, Monroe & Columbia railroad, Chesterfield & Lancaster railroad, Columbia, Newberry & Laurens railroad company, Rabigee & Charleston railroad company, Seaboard Air Line Railroad Company and Southern Railroad company. The railroads filing the petition had asked it to become effective July 1.

"THE GUN FIGHTER" featuring the noted star William S. Hart comes to the Majestic tomorrow.

For so many years the soldiers have said, "Our country and humanity need men to fight and die for them. Yet of our 100,000,000 only a small fraction may and but a tatter at most or worst, are thus served. Those who do not enlist to seek "the great prize of death in battle" or who are not needed in those ranks as yet, there is another enlistment. It is under the banner of the Red Cross.

**Hunt-McCurry.**

Cards have been received in Camden announcing the marriage on last Tuesday, of Miss Faanie Mae Hunt of Greenville to Mr. Joseph Emerson McCurry of Florence.

**Lightning Kills Hogs.**

During the storm last Thursday afternoon lightning struck a tree on the farm of Mr. J. B. Caton, near Cassatt, and killed nine hogs which were in a pen under the tree. There were ten hogs in the pen and only one was unhurt.

**Dam Breaks.**

Owing to the recent heavy rains, the dam at Adam's pond, about seven miles from Camden broke last Friday and for a while it was thought that the dam at the Hermitage Mill would break also, but by quick work the water was let off before any damage was done.

**New Plumber Here.**

Mr. G. A. Quayle of Washington, D. C., is in Camden this week, and is having the store room in the Crocker building recently vacated by the Camden Motor Company prepared for an up-to-date plumbing shop. Mr. Quayle states that he will install a complete stock of plumbing goods and will be ready for business in a few days.

**New Service on Seaboard.**

Savannah, Ga., June 19.—The Seaboard Air Line Railway yesterday inaugurated a gas-electric train service between Savannah and Jacksonville that eliminates the steam locomotive. The car is propelled by gasoline and electricity and it is capable of carrying several lightweight passenger cars at the rate of sixty-five miles an hour. It is the first equipment of the kind in the South. It is to make double daily schedules between Savannah and Jacksonville. The new cars replace trains 23 and 24, which have been operated locally between these two points.

**Jess Willard Buys Circus.**

Jess Willard, heavyweight champion of the world, is to become his own boss now, according to word from Holyoke, Mass., which says that the boxer has bought from Edward Arlington the Buena Bill Wild West Show for \$105,000.

The deal was made with Roy O. Archer, Jess Willard's private secretary, and the fighter took possession of the complete outfit, including two trains, 200 horses and all equipment. Melville Raymond has been engaged to assist in the management, and Arlington, having given up financial interest in the venture, will route the show.

**Proved A Serious Joke.**

Toccoa, Ga., June 17.—A loaded shell which he had unknowingly placed in a chamber of his revolver took the life of Judge James R. Grant, of this city, today, after he had jokingly remarked to his wife that he was going to kill himself. Judge Grant had completed cleaning the pistol, ejecting all of the cartridges, he thought, inserting in their places shells he believed had been fired, one of which was loaded. He then pulled the trigger, the bullet penetrating the heart.

Judge Grant was a veteran of the Spanish American war and at the time of his death was a practicing attorney here. He was 60 years old.

**What Tornadoes Are**

Eighty-one tornadoes have occurred across Illinois within the past sixteen years. They keep happening but a town in the way of a tornado opens rarely. Only when it hits a town does a tornado become deadly and famous, and here in the middle west towns lie conveniently wide apart.

A tornado is a sign of spring warmth and cold struggle for supremacy. Dampness adds to the instability of the air. A warm wind brushing past a cold wind starts the air whirling, forms a vacuum inside the whirl and a column of vapor around the vacuum. The newborn monster dashes across the country at the speed of an ordinary railroad train, leaving devastation along a track 600 feet to a mile wide. Where the air is sufficiently damp, and therefore sufficiently unstable, the same thing might happen in the fall.

And the same thing happens in spring even in the east. Ours is not peculiarly a tornado district. It is only a district where with few hills to interfere, tornadoes have free run. The hillier east starts as many aerial bandannas, if not more, but shunts them skyward. Once in a while, thanks to occasional hillocks, the midwest west does likewise.

A cyclone in technical parlance is any general storm. It is popular, but not definitely meteorologic parlance if it is the type of storm represented by the hurricane or typhoon, a whirlwind with a diameter of from fifty to a hundred miles. It was a cyclone from the West Indies that struck Galveston.

The dust whirls you see along country roads are in principle tornadoes. Watersports are miniature tornadoes at sea. We have been at pains more than once to consult meteorologists regarding the stories of straw hats driven into oak posts and of freight trains lifted bodily from the track. The meteorologists not only scoffed at the stories, but added to them. Let us suffice that of a loose net it is tossed into a garden, and in the same instant a single rose was torn in half.

**WANTED AT ONCE**—200,000 pounds of scrap iron. Will pay 42¢ per hundred, and 62¢ for bones. Highest prices for all metal. H. L. Schlosburg, Phone 235-W.

**KERSHAW NEWS NOTES.****Interesting Happenings Gathered From The Era of That Place.**

L. McT. Brown, a brother of Alex Brown of the Abney section, and a former citizen of Kershaw county, died suddenly June 6th at his home in Mobile, Ala.

A tenant house on J. L. Sowell's place near the brick yard south of town, which was occupied by Rev. Hardy McKnight, colored, was struck by lightning during the progress of last Thursday night's storm and was totally consumed by the resulting fire. The occupants lost all their belongings and had no insurance.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Brown, of the Abney section announce the engagement of their daughter Juanita Evangeline, to C. T. Lane, of Greenville, S. C. The marriage will take place in the latter part of the summer.

The McLendon-Pledger evangelistic campaign will continue through this week. It was so decided at the Sun day night service by the large congregation, by far the largest that had been present up to that time.

Mr. McLendon, who came here a week ago, has nevertheless been doing some very strenuous work.

Miss Scotta Brown, who has been teaching at Lamar, has returned to her home near Kershaw.

Miss Luie Roberts, of Newport News, Va., who was at one time in charge of the millinery department at the store of the Kershaw Mercantile Banking Company and her friend, Miss Louise Eckenrode of Westminster, Md., are the guests of Miss Corrie Owens.

J. Rutledge McGhee, publisher of county papers at Batesburg, Johnson and Wagner, was a business visitor in Kershaw on Monday.

The first cotton bloom of the season produced in this section, was sent to the Era office yesterday by T. M. Honeycutt, manager of the Kershaw Oil Mill's farm.

Miss Dorris Surasky of Alken and Master Sanford Levkoff, of Camden, were visitors last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Bluestone.

Mrs. A. C. Gregory and her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Askew of Hartsville, left here Friday for an automobile trip to Atlanta, Ga., to visit Mrs. Gregory's son W. R. Gregory, Jr.

**Wateree Mill Village Notes.**

Mr. Walter Lloyd one of the Kershaw Guards spent last week end with his parents.

Mr. Erwin Hunter of Kershaw spent last week end in the village.

Misses Maud Knight and Estill Barron of Lancaster spent last week end with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Knight.

Mrs. Jennie Davis spent last week end with relatives in Bethune.

Mr. Oscar Horton of Sheepard and Mr. Carl Harris one of the Kershaw Guards visited Mr. J. R. Player last Sunday.

Mr. A. K. Hallett made a business trip to Columbia Saturday.

Mr. Clayton Baker of Lancaster spent last week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Baker.

Mr. John Bradley and Mr. F. Player spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Player.

Mr. Joe Hunter of Kershaw spent several days last week with his daughter Mrs. John Ray.

Master Kershaw Horton of Sheepard spent Sunday with Master Coyt and Herman Baker.

Mr. Willie Hasty one of the Kershaw Guards was a visitor in the village on last Sunday. We are always glad to have our boys back with us.

Mr. Ed DeBruhl of Cassatt spent the week end with friends and relatives here.

Miss Clara Davis of Cedar Springs school is at home with her father spending the vacation.

Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson of Boyden is visiting her daughter Mrs. Mattie Goodale.

A very interesting game was played between the Wateree Boys and Wateree Girls ball team on last Saturday. The score was 5 to 6 in favor of the Boys team.

Mrs. Hustle of Lancaster spent last week end with relatives in the village.

We are enjoying our swimming pool that has been so conveniently arranged. This is a long sought and much needed pleasure and we appreciate it these warm afternoons.

**Lugoff News Notes.**

Lugoff, S. C., June 19.—The Willing Workers held their regular monthly meeting last Wednesday afternoon at the home of the president Mrs. James Team, with Mrs. J. L. Gettys and Miss Mat Isbell as assistant hostesses. Five new members were welcomed into our society making a total of twenty-five members.

The next meeting in July will be the election of new officers. After the regular business hour the hostesses served delightful refreshments.

Mrs. Ben Team and Miss Alberta Team of Camden spent Sunday here.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Hood, Mrs. James Team, Miss Margaret Taylor, and Mr. Karr Roseboro visited to Charlotte, N. C., last Monday.

Mr. Sheppard of Columbia was here on Monday.

The Misses Stackley of Easley are here on a visit to their sister Mrs. Elvina Hurst.

Messes James Team, V. C. Ward and Joe Roseboro were in Camden on Monday.

Mrs. Wm. Roseboro spent Sunday here.

Mrs. Camero and children of Columbia spent the weekend here.

Miss Anna May is here on a visit to her sister Mrs. H. K. McDonald.

**Stockton News Notes.**

Boyle, S. C., June 20th, 1917.—Children's Day exercises were held at Beulah church last Sunday. The church was decorated very prettily and the children acquitted themselves well.

Mr. Barney Wallace of Columbia was the week end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Galloway.

Mrs. Mattie Shiver has been sick for the past week, but we are glad to say that she is better.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ammons spent Saturday in Camden.

Mr. Dallas Mahoney and sister, Pearl, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Annie Turner.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Galloway has been very ill for the last few days, but is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pearce and Mr. Arthur Humphries of Camden spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Pearce. Mr. Humphries left Monday for Fort Oglethorpe.

Little Miss Laurie Workman is spending a few days with friends in Camden.

**Twelve Years for Ex-Auditor.**

Dillon, June 14.—The case of the State vs. C. G. Bruce for alleged embezzlement of county funds, was concluded this morning and went to the jury about noon. After about two hours' deliberation he was found guilty on thirteen counts and sentenced was passed upon him by Judge Spain to serve twelve years at hard labor in the State penitentiary. Another bill of indictment has been handed out by the grand jury against Bruce, former auditor, and Will McNamara, former treasurer of Dillon county.

**CITATION**

State of South Carolina,  
County of Kershaw.

By W. L. McDowell, Esquire. Pro-  
bate Judge.

Whereas, Jesse Reynolds and Bessie  
Reynolds, through their attorney, G.  
Alexander, made suit to me to grant  
them Letters of Administration of the  
Estate of and effects of Elijah Rey-  
nolds.

These are, Therefore, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said Elijah Reynolds, deceased, that they be and appear before me in the Court of Probate, to be held at Camden, S. C., on July 5th, next after publication thereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted.

Given under my Hand, this 20th day of June Anno Domini 1917.

W. L. McDowell.

Judge of Probate for Kershaw County.

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