

REPORT OF RED CROSS

Treasurer Tells of Work Done by Local Chapter.

The Red Cross work has been progressing most satisfactorily. Since Jan. 1 about 8,000 surgical dressings, have been made and forwarded and 32 sweaters, 20 pairs of socks, 12 mufflers, 3 helmets. Also 107 hospital garments have been shipped.

The winter guests have made generous donations to the funds of the Chapter and great interest has been shown in the work. Most of those making gifts have asked that their names be not published, so the donations are lumped together in the report below according to the causes to which the contributions have been made.

Receipts

Table with columns for item and amount. Items include 178 annual dues, 19 subscribing dues, 2 contributing dues, Sale of buttons, Red Cross war fund, etc.

Expenditures

Table with columns for item and amount. Items include Membership dues to Washington, Stamps, stationery, telegrams, printing and general expense, etc.

LAURENS T. MILLES, Trans. Camden Chapter

Had The Right Idea.

A grizzled old chap was telling a group of young soldiers about some of his war experiences in the savage sixties. "I was on sentry duty one night," he related. "It was pitch dark and raining. I was sitting with my back against a big tree listening to the rain and shivering while the rain was dashing into my eyes and stinging my face. It was blowing great guns, and that rain was like a lot of bird-shot."

"What would you have done in a case like that, young fellow?" he asked one of them, suddenly. "Well," drawled the young fellow, "I would have got around on the other side of the tree."

Advertisement for Maxwell House Coffee, 'GOOD TO THE LAST DROP', 'ASK YOUR GROCER'.

Advertisement for Goodrich Tires and Tubes, 'BEST IN THE LONG RUN', 'COMPLETE STOCK', 'GEORGE T. LITTLE, Distributor', 'FRANKLIN AND HUPMOBILE AGENCY'.

RAIDS FEATURE WAR NEWS

Seems Apparent Fierce Battles Cannot Longer Be Delayed.

Although the military operations along the western front in France and Belgium daily are growing in magnitude until it seems apparent that fierce battles cannot much longer be delayed, the situation in Russia continues to hold an absorbing place in public interest throughout the world.

Scant advances from Petrograd are coming through, but those that are finding their way out of the turmoil-ridden capital at Petrograd indicate that while the Germans have ceased operations in Great Russia, following the signing of the peace compact with the bolsheviks, they now are striking against Finland, and that in the south the Austro-Hungarians are making inroads into Podolia in an endeavor to drive out the bolshevik and thus secure an untrammelled hold on the country upon which so much dependence has been placed for the feeding of the Teutonic hordes.

While ostensibly the German operations in Finland, which are being carried out from bases in the Aland islands, have as their purpose the driving of the Finnish revolutionists and bolshevik red guards from southern Finland, it is probable Germany's ambitions in this region have in view the securing of control of southwest Finland to as far as Helsinki. This stretch of territory along the northern shores of the Gulf of Finland, taken in conjunction with the holdings of the Germans on the southern shore to the region of Reval, would give the invaders absolute mastery over the western approaches to the gulf and paralyze completely the movement of Russian ships of war or commerce into the Baltic.

The contents of the peace treaty between the Germans and the bolsheviks have not yet been made public, but there is no room for doubt that the Teuton representatives exacted from the Russians a price in keeping with their full desires. The treaty is to be ratified next Thursday.

In Podolia, the Austro-Hungarian forces evidently are meeting with slight resistance as they overrun Little Russia. A strong indication of this is the Vienna statement that they already have captured more than 770 guns and 1,000 machine guns, and in addition large quantities of war material.

In eastern Siberia, the bolshevik elements evidently are placing obstacles in the way of a possible Japanese invasion of that territory. Already they have destroyed bridges along the Trans-Siberian railway between Lake Balkal and the Chinese frontier, in addition to having mined for eventual destruction, if necessary, other portions of the railway line.

Since Sunday the Germans have left the Americans in comparative peace on their sector near Toul. Probably finding that their attempted forays were too costly, they have failed to launch further attacks and even have cut down materially their artillery fire and gas shell bombardments. Again, the American gunners have worked havoc among the Germans by heavily shelling a large cantonment where troops were assembled.

Near Warfoston, southeast of Ypres, the Australians have carried out a big raid against enemy positions, killing at least 50 of the German defenders, destroying dugouts and bringing back prisoners. Around Lens the Germans have begun a rather intensive bombardment against the British troops besieging the great coal center.

The nearest approach to a big battle on the western front has occurred between the French and the Germans in the Verdun sector. Here the French troops carried out a brilliant attack against the German trenches and penetrated the German positions as far as their fourth line. The point of penetration was over a front of 1,200 metres and to a depth of 600 metres, and 150 prisoners were taken in the operation. Attempted attacks by the Germans north of the Chemin-Des-Dames, near the Malin court wood and in Loraine went for naught, owing to the accuracy of the French fire.

Speaking of Soap.

A certain sergeant of a colored company was giving his command. "First," he said, "when I says 'right dress' I'm going to shoot down the line, and I want you to dress on the spot."

"Then, when I says 'eyes right,' I want you to rub your eyes black."

ROLL OF HONOR

For Fifth Month of Camden Graded Schools.

- First grade—William Ammonds, Helen Baker, Ruth Blackwell, Elmore Brown, Ralph Dixon, Rosa McMannus, Joseph Mogulescu, Austin Sheheen. Second grade—James Blackmon, Leighton Hardy, Randolph Jones, John Richardson, Walter Rhame, Earnest Sheheen, Clare Bruce, Virginia Nettles, Margaret Rast. Third grade—Harriet Whitaker, Daisy Lang, Sara DePass, Mary McCoy. Fourth grade—Elsie Hardy, Mary Moore, Frank Humphries, Boykin Rhame, Alfred Shannon, Alma Holland, Henry Hardy, Clarkson Rhame, Ethel Schlosburg, Gatewood Workman. Fifth grade—Thoburn Bond, Leroy Davidson, Arnette Ledford, William Nettles, Christopher Vaughn, Mildred Gardner, Helen Hinson, Harriette Steedman. Sixth grade—Basil Bruce, Mary Campbell, Aubrey Beattie, Ethel DePass, Kate Watkins. Seventh grade—Laurens Mills, Andrew Burnet, Mary Goodale. Eighth grade—Thomas Kirkland, Serre deLoach, Josephene Cureton, Elizabeth Workman, Coelle Truesdel, Helen Williams. Tenth grade—Christing Jones, Hannah Lazarus, Clara Cureton, James Clyburn. Eleventh grade—John deLoach, Jimmie Griggs, Norman Huckabee, Everett Schenk, Mary Clyburn, Corinne Lewis, Willie Belle Mackey, Mabel Pate, Olive Rhame, May Rush.

Submarines Sink Eighteen Ships.

London, March 6.—Eighteen British merchantmen were sunk by mine or submarine in the last week, according to the admiralty report tonight. Of these 12 were vessels of 1,600 tons or over, six being under that tonnage. No fishing craft were sunk.

Arrivals of British merchantmen at ports in the United Kingdom, 2,015; sailings, 2,205; merchantmen unsuccessfully attacked 6.

TO MEET TOMORROW.

Fourth Monthly Meeting of Kershaw County Teachers Association.

The fourth monthly meeting of the Kershaw County Teachers Association will be held in the Court House on Saturday morning at eleven o'clock. All teachers of the county are urgently requested to be present as important matters regarding Field Day will be discussed. The Chairman of the Council of Defense for Kershaw County begs that the teachers notify all trustees and patrons through the pupils that a meeting will be held jointly with the teachers on Saturday at eleven.

All merchants and farmers are urgently requested to be present at this meeting. The chairman of the Defense Council also calls for the presence of all Food Administrators of Kershaw County. The speakers for the occasion will be Mr. William Elliott, Food Administrator for South Carolina, and D. R. Coker, head of the Defense Council for South Carolina.

Live Stock Association to Meet.

The Seventeenth Annual Meeting of The South Carolina Live Stock Association, which is to be held in Columbia, on the 13th and 14th of March bids fair to be the most enthusiastic and largely attended in the history of the Association. The members of this Association are thoroughly awake to the absolute necessity of producing more live stock in this State not only for the needs of the people within the bounds of the State, but for the proper feeding of our boys and their allies at the front, and have arranged a program that will interest every man who is in any way interested in raising hogs and cattle. Many prominent men who are devoting their entire time to this important industry will be at the Columbia meeting and will deliver addresses on the different branches of this work. Every farmer or grower of live stock in this county is urged to attend this meeting.

REV. YATES DEAD

Was Pastor of Antioch and Cedar Creek Baptist Churches.

Rev. S. D. Yates, a well known and prominent Baptist minister, died very suddenly at his home in the Antioch section of Lee County early Tuesday morning. He has been for a number of years pastor of Antioch and Cedar Creek Baptist churches.

Mr. Yates was also State president of the South Carolina Farmers Secret Association and was largely instrumental in the organization of this association and had many friends not only in Kershaw and Lee Counties but all throughout South Carolina.

The funeral services were held at Antioch Baptist Church on Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock. Services being in charge of the Masons of which order he was a prominent member.

Mr. Yates is survived by his wife who was Miss Catherine Croft, and also by four children—Melvor Yates, Leon Yates, Tison Yates, and Theo Yates.

Mr. Joe Strak Injured.

J. H. Strack of Camden, Southern freight brakeman met with a very unfortunate accident while shifting cars here Tuesday night. He was struck in the face by a coupling lever which broke his jaw and knocked out several teeth. Dr. Allen and Dr. Hinson attended the injured man and with difficulty reset the broken bone, so badly crushed was it.—Lancaster Citizen.

Mr. Strak has returned to Camden and is now at home. He is said to be improving from his injuries.

THRIFT STAMP HONOR ROLL

Pupils of Schools Who Have Invested in Uncle Sam's W. S. Stamps.

Table showing thrift stamp honor roll for various grades (Second to Eleventh) with names and amounts invested.

There are at present 111 pupils in the graded and high schools who have invested money in savings stamps for a total to date of \$492.73. This list represents pupils some of whom have never saved before.

Are the adults of Camden responding to the call of their country as eagerly as the children? This is a great opportunity to teach your children thrift by aiding them in buying thrift stamps. Habits of saving formed in

CAMDEN HORSE SHOW

NOTICE! Change in Dates For 1918

MARCH 27TH-28TH INSTEAD OF MAR. 28TH-29TH

NOTIFY YOUR FRIENDS

T. LEE LITTLE, Secy.

Supervisors Report.

Following is a list of claims passed upon and paid by the County Board of Commissioners at their meeting held Monday March 4, 1918:

Table listing supervisors' reports with names, salaries, and various expenses.

Colored School Closing.

By special invitation I attended the Backhill school closing exercises of Longtown, Friday night and delivered the annual address to the school and its patrons and friends. The exercises were very good and the music rendered was exceptionally pleasing.

Large advertisement for Solomon's Jewels, 'were reputed to be the greatest collection in the world', 'and Solomon was the wisest man of his age', 'G. L. BLACKWELL Jeweler and Optician Camden, S. C.'.