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Camden, S. C., Friday, Sept. 6, 1918.

At their last regular session City Council passed an ordinance "That all able bodied male persons between the ages of eighteen and fifty years be regularly engaged in some useful occupation." The ordinance provided that every employee between these ages shall have a labor identification card which shall be subject to inspection by the police department.

The police department has ordered that reckless driving in Camden must stop and the officers have instructions to put forth every effort to enforce the regulations governing traffic here. In the next few days signs will be placed at the fountain, corner of Broad and DeKalb Streets, requiring all cars to come to a complete stop before passing or turning this corner.

The Chronicle hopes that the voters of Kershaw County will turn out next Tuesday and give Hon. W. P. Pollock a handsome vote in his race for the short term in the United States senate. The state owes a great deal to Mr. Pollock and the people now have a chance to show their appreciation of his services in the past two campaigns.

William F. Clayton, dean of the Florence bar, died at his home in that city Tuesday night at the age of seventy-five. Mr. Clayton served as vice consul at Peru when quite a boy.

Late war news is to the effect that the Germans are giving ground over the entire 150-mile front from Ypres to Rheims and nowhere have they been able to make a stand. General March has made the announcement that America has sent over one million and six hundred thousand men to add to Germany's burdens.

Leif Thomas Hitchcock, Jr., of West Lafayette, Ind., who while a member of the Lafayette Flying Squadron last March was captured by the Germans, has escaped from a German prison camp and has arrived at Bern, Switzerland. Hitchcock, who is the sixteen-year-old son of Major Thomas Hitchcock, jumped from a train near Ulm, Wurtemberg, and walked eighty miles to the Swiss border, near Schaffhausen. The aviator is returning to the United States.

A note from D. Wallace Moore, of Chicago, says that Theodore Price is shipping three new cotton pickers, with all the improvements, to the operators on the farm of Mr. Moore, near Chicago.

Cloupatra at Opera House. Cloupatra, the new ten neck piano, is being shown at the world famous opera house. It is the opening day of the Cloupatra Opera House this season. The play under the management of W. J. Fox will be shown Tuesday Sept. 10th.



Let us examine your eyes and fit you up with a pair of KRYPTOK GLASSES THE INVISIBLE BIFOCALS. M. H. HEYMAN & COMPANY JEWELERS and OPTICIANS CAMDEN, SOUTH CAROLINA

PERSONAL Mrs. John W. Smith and children are on a visit to relatives in Augusta, Ga. Private John C. Stewart, who is stationed at Camp Funston, Kan., has been promoted to a corporal and is expected to go overseas soon. Miss Annie Workman left Thursday morning for Nashville, Tenn., where she will teach in the Demonstration School of the George Peabody College for teachers.

Mr. Albertus Campbell, who for a number of years has been a salesman at the store of Wilfe-Eichel Co., left last week to take a position in a large dry goods establishment at Florence.

The Open Air School. The Open Air School will commence on Monday, September ninth. No beginners will be taken after the first two weeks. Miss E. L. Zemp.

NOTICE. Beginning October 1st, next, all groceries will be sold for CASH ONLY. Lang's High Grade Grocery, Camden.

George Davis, rural policeman, was killed instantly near Marion Monday when he was shot in the head by a negro, John Page. The killing occurred in the river swamp a few miles from town, where Mr. Davis, Sheriff Rowell and Jesse Davis, brother to the rural policeman, went to arrest the negro for whom the rural policeman held a warrant for trapping. Seeing the party approaching, the negro grabbed his gun and barricaded himself in his house, shooting through a rear window and killing Mr. Davis instantly.

Education is a Big Thing. Education is a grand good thing. Before she went away to school Virginia Featheringham called her mother "maw." Now she refers to her as "the mater."—Topeka Capital.

Wolfe For Attorney General. Complete election returns show that Sam M. Wolfe, a member of the Anderson bar, will be in the second race for attorney general of South Carolina with Mr. Claude N. Sapp now serving as assistant to Attorney General Thos. H. Peoples.

The strength that Mr. Wolfe developed in the primary election is especially gratifying to his Anderson friends who feel that in his election the state has an opportunity to obtain the services of a lawyer fully equipped with all the legal and personal endowments that are needed in discharging the duties of this most important state office. He made a clean campaign, free from personalities and based solely on his record as a lawyer and on his fitness for the place, and there is every indication that he will go into the run-over contest with the brightest prospects to win.

Mr. Wolfe is in thorough accord with the dominant political sentiment in South Carolina as such opinion was expressed so overwhelmingly at the polls last Tuesday. He made this plain at every campaign meeting during the summer.

Sam Wolfe has ability of a high order and will make a most satisfactory attorney general. Anderson county stands squarely behind him, as was shown by the large majority he received in the first primary, and Anderson invites the rest of the state to join her in giving him an honor which he will wear worthily and well.—Anderson Daily Mail.

Discouraging. A baby brother had just arrived and little Edna was greatly disappointed. That night she refused to say her prayers. When the nurse asked her why, Edna replied: "Oh, what's the use? I've been praying for a little sister for six months, and I believe, he only began asking to a little brother yesterday, and he got his right off."

Going Well and Getting Better. Sunday's operations on the western front brought no disappointment. The news continues good and is one of persistent Allied gains and of accelerated German retreat. The capture of the railroad center of Peronne was an expected accomplishment, and there, as in other sections, the British did not halt, but moved untrammelled on, investing the towns of Bullescourt and Merival and moving on to the outskirts of Lens. Back of that position and now around Arras, the German front is being broken up by the Allies, and the German line seems to be breaking up in many places. The effect of the German resistance is mainly in the direction of the Allied advance, and it can be more than made good now than ever before that the Allies will eventually observe.

And the Trouble Started. When, in order that I may get the money on this check, do the people at the bank have to know me? Husband—Yes, they have to know you, but not as well as I do; otherwise they wouldn't give you a cent.—Judge.

FROM A CAMDEN TRIO Boys Have Time For a Little Foolishness Amid Seriousness of Warfare.

The following letter was received by a member of The Chronicle force from three Camden boys now fighting on Belgian soil. It shows that the young fellows have time for a little foolishness and are in good spirits, despite the seriousness of warfare across the seas. We know it will be read with interest by the many friends of the young men in this town and county. The letter follows:

Guess you will be very much surprised to receive this letter. Having seen several clippings from your paper, which by the way we were very lucky to get hold of. In them we have noticed several contributions from boys of the old home town (village) who are over here. We decided that we would write you a little of the true facts concerning the American Soldier in France.

Since leaving home we have passed through four foreign countries, two of which we went thru on foot. We are now situated in a picturesque little grove, which reminds us very much of the dear old Hampton Park, where in the days of our childhood we played the game of war, not realizing that in the days to come we would participate in the great world-wide war for Democracy. We did not realize at first that we had enemies other than the Central Powers, but during our frequent trips to the front lines we come to realize that we have other enemies besides the Central Powers; standing out more prominent among these are those more commonly known as "cooties" and trench rats. There is no remedy for the cooties except a midnight hunt and hot bath, but the rats, we can compromise with them by donating two thirds of our already slim rations.

Quite an amusing incident happened yesterday afternoon as we were lazily lolling around in our billets. A nose-cap from one of Jerry's shrapnel came thru the roof of the billet demolishing a steel helmet and a raincoat and taking off the surplus part of a man's trousers at the same time.

The people of this country remind us very much of the inhabitants of Mexico, where two or three families live in the same house together with the domestic animals. The climate is very much like that of the mountainous section of Texas, where it is very warm in the day and exceedingly cool at night. Over here there are only a few hours of darkness, but from about 10:00 o'clock at night until 4 o'clock in the morning. Sweets are very scarce in this country. On several occasions we have been very fortunate in procuring a tin of good old California peaches and some pears, which added greatly to the enjoyment of our "chow". These we purchased at a cost of eight francs a tin (about \$2.00) rather dear, eh.

The roads over here are very substantially built and some of them very pretty. They are built of cobblestones and are shaded by large trees which make very good camouflage. The whole company sometimes goes into roars of laughter at seeing some fat Belgian coming down the road in a miniature cart drawn by a large dog.

Three Belgians came near dying an unusual death at the hands, or rather the feet of our noble compatriot, Charlie V., who in trying to seek cover from one of Jerry's shrapnel, nearly trampled the poor Belgians to death. (Charlie tells this on himself).

We have witnessed several highly interesting air battles and are glad to say the Allied planes were victorious. A Jerry was brought down about three hundred yards from our billets, (formerly used as stables). The plane was occupied by two Germans, a pilot and an observer, both escaping without serious injury. They are now prisoners in the hands of the British. You would be surprised to see the number of planes in the air at all times. They are common as English sparrows at home. The common expression among the Sammies is "that this is a hell of a war, but it is the only one we've got." There is a common expression among our regiment known as "hold your mule" which means to hold your nerve.

We are enclosing a piece of poetry entitled "Hold Your Mule" which was written by one of the men of our regiment. It is as follows:

Hold your mule, hold your mule, hold your mule, hold your mule. A whizzbang sails by your head. Hold your mule. As best you think that you are dead. Hold your mule. An aerial bomb comes floating down. You see the angels sailing round. And when you find that you are safe and sound. Hold your mule. A super lies in "No Man's Land", And waits for days to get his man. He thinks perhaps you are a fool. But when he shoots. Hold your mule. A Jerry sails in the sky of blue. He may or may not shoot at you. But if he does, think of what to do. Hold your mule. A machine gun sweeps up every road. While you are taking up your load. And you cuss the nerve of a man who'd try. To scare your mule as you go by. Your halter on the wall is hung.

The mule is dead, the song is sung. You think of the Boche as a crazy fool. And of the days when you had to hold your mule. Night is closing fast upon us, and we are not allowed to show a light, for fear of being seen by Jerry's planes, we will close. With best regards to all, Cantey Villepigue, Charlie Villepigue, Jack Watkins.

A Card From Probate Judge McDowell. To the Citizens of Kershaw County: In the last campaign I promised, if elected, to serve you honestly, faithfully and conscientiously. I am glad to say to you that I have done this.

During my administration there have been administered about 800 estates, 3,021 Marriage Licenses have been issued, 2,427 Whiskey Permits have been issued and 150 patients have been committed to the State Hospital for the Insane. In closing up estates, it has ever been my desire that justice should prevail and each and every heir receive their just proportion.

By my desire and determination that justice should be obtained, I have the satisfaction of knowing that in one case alone the poor old widow of a Confederate soldier is now enjoying \$500 that she would not have gotten, and three little orphan children are now being educated and cared for to the extent of \$1,500.

And those of our friends who have had to have some loved one committed to the State Hospital for the Insane, I have always given my most prompt and sympathetic attention. And Wills, those documents which contain the last wishes and desires of our departed loved ones, have been handled by me with sacred care.

In the issuing of Marriage Licenses I have ever tried to subscribe strictly to the law. There are on record in the Probate office about 3000 estates; with each estate there are from 10 to 25 different papers such as Petitions, Citations, Bonds, Warrants of Appraisement, Letters of Administration, Certificates, Oaths and Orders making in all between 50,000 and 75,000 papers on record in this office.

With our present system of filing and indexing any one of these papers can be gotten at once. Before my administration this could not be done, and I say this with all respect to my predecessors—those splendid men W. D. Trautman, J. B. Phelps, C. C. Haile, J. L. Mickle, T. A. Moore and John M. DeSaussure, all of whom I believe died in office. I love and honor their memory. It was not their fault. During the Civil War the records were torn and tangled by Sherman's army—a good many of them being entirely destroyed—and they were never straightened out until I went into office.

The expert accountant sent out from the Comptroller General's office to examine the offices of Kershaw County in his report says that the Probate office of Kershaw County is kept better than a majority of the Probate offices in South Carolina.

I have at all times, realized that I was your servant. The poor and humble have always received the same prompt and courteous attention that the high and rich have. "Equal rights to all and special privileges to none" has been my motto. The law has been my guide, and so long as I am in the Probate office I will pursue the same course.

Not only have I tried to discharge the duties of the office in a way that would reflect credit upon the good people of Kershaw County and keep unfurnished the commission that you gave me, but I have tried to discharge those duties in a way that would meet the approval of Him before whose judgment bar you and I will stand to give an account of the deeds done in the body. With this record I ask your endorsement for another term assuring you that no man in Kershaw County will appreciate your suffrage more than I will, and no man will strive harder to please you. I will thank you for your kind consideration in the coming election. Gratefully yours, W. L. McDowell, Camden, S. C., Sept. 5th, 1918.

NOTICE—For a nice, cheap coffin or casket call at Billing's Bros. Restaurant's old stand.

Capt. Archie Roosevelt, son of Col. Theodore Roosevelt, arrived at an American port Monday from France, where he was wounded in the fighting around Cantigny during April. On the same ship were 17 other officers and about 300 noncommissioned officers and men who have been invalided and sent home for distribution in various convalescent hospitals.

FARM FOR SALE—A desirable place containing about 65 acres three miles from Camden on public road. Good land. J. L. Moseley. 17th

School Notice. Notice is hereby given, as required by law, that the Camden city schools, including the Jackson Graded school, the Mill school and the Malvern Hill School will open Monday September 9th, 1918. All pupils should report on the first day. Attention of patrons is also called to the fact that the compulsory school attendance law is now effective in this district. Thos. J. Kirkland, Chairman, John T. Mackey, Clerk, H. K. Hallett, Board of Trustees District No. 1.

To The Public of Camden. We wish to announce that we have taken over the ice business and will do everything in our power to give you every day in the year and in this connection we wish to ask you for your co-operation and to say that our drivers have been instructed to collect the cash for every pound of ice that they sell, and we desire that the consumer have the money ready to pay for their orders so that there will be no unpleasantness as we are the ones that give the driver his instructions. Respectfully, CAMDEN ICE COMPANY, J. H. Clark, Mgr. 21st.

REGISTRATION NOTICE. The County Board of Registration will be at the places and dates named below for the purpose of registering all qualified voters of Kershaw County: Camden, September 2nd. Bethune, September 3rd. Westville, September 4th. Blaney, September 6th. L. E. KIRKLEY, J. A. McDOWELL, J. A. GRIGSBY, County Board of Registration.

LITTLETON COLLEGE. Hot water, heat, electric lights and other modern improvements. The 37th annual session will begin September 25th. Write for new illustrated catalogue; also for particulars concerning our special offer to a few girls who can not pay our catalogue rate. Address J. M. Rhodes, Littleton, N. C.

Bids To Be Received. We will receive bids for the assigned stock of Pearce-Young Hardware Company in Camden, S. C. for stock and fixtures, either or both. Cost price of stock \$7,600.00; fixtures \$1,100.00. A fine opening for a hardware business in Camden. Bids received until August 31st, reserving right to reject any or all bids. Stock and inventory open to inspection. Will be glad to furnish further information upon request. John S. Lindsay, Assignee, W. M. Shannon, Agent of Creditors, Camden, S. C. P. O. Box 278.

THE CONFEDERATE COLLEGE

A Boarding and Day School for Girls. Begins its session October 2, 1918. Historic Institution situated in a healthy location. Advantages of City Life, with large College Yard for outdoor sports. A well planned course of studies in a homelike atmosphere. A business course open to Seniors, and Elective Course to Juniors and Seniors. Two domestic science courses, giving practical and theoretic knowledge of Cooking. A well equipped Library. For Catalogue and further information apply to the College. 62 BROAD STREET CHARLESTON, S. C.

OUR GINNING FACILITIES

To the Farmers of Kershaw County: The popularity of our ginnery this season is not due entirely to the large cotton crop that is being gathered, but to the excellent turnouts and samples, and our prompt and efficient service. The high price of cotton makes it imperative that you receive the above, and it costs you no more to gin with us than elsewhere. Our ginnery is running at full blast at all times. We are now operating our mill and can offer you new meal and hulls. We expect a very strong demand for meal this season, and advise our customers to buy early. For the convenience of our customers we give you an itemized statement and receipt for all transactions, both for ginning and purchase of mill products. We solicit your patronage and assure you of prompt and efficient service. Southern Cotton Oil Company Camden Mill.

Preaching at Concord. There will be preaching at the Baptist Church next Sunday September 8th by the pastor Rev. W. C. ...

Wants--For Sale

LOST—One black mare mule white inside of legs. When last seen in bridle and halter on—\$25.00 reward for information leading to and recovery of same. F. L. Green, Camden, S. C. FOR RENT—One furnished room with water and lights and bath room. Apply to 410 DeKalb Street, Camden, S. C. WANTED—Porter and delivery man. W. Robin Zemp's Drug Store. FOR RENT—Furnished apartments, rooms and sleeping porch. Water ready for rent by Oct. 1st. Address 1507 Fair Street, Phone 314-W. WANTED—Position in store as a man. Have had experience. Can give best of reference. Address C. Bruce, of Hermitage Mill, Camden, S. C. FOR SALE OR RENT—Two story house also store with two store rooms in rear for rent. Apply to 1200 1/2 Ave. SALESMAN WANTED—Lubricating grease, specialties, paint, part of what time. Commission basis. Must be car or rig preferred. Riverside Lubricating Company, Cleveland, Ohio. SACKS—Whenever you accumulate more sacks, bring them to the Camden Oil Mill and we will pay you 10 cents each for them. By returning the sacks in good condition we save \$2.00 per ton on each ton of meal purchased from us. Worth a try, isn't it? The Southern Cotton Oil Company, Camden Oil Mill. DO YOU WANT REST?—Big hotel good quiet place to take. Cool rooms, no mosquitoes, spring artesian water. Bathing and boat. Schumaker's Orchestra Thursday nights. Hotel closes Sept. 16th. Springs, Hotel, McBee, S. C. WANTED—Forty to fifty car loads of pine wood. Write what you want and best price f.o.b. your station. Address "Wood" care of Chronicle. WANTED—About ten cords good pine wood delivered at my residence in Kirkwood. Will pay top price for good wood. W. O. B. Camden, S. C. FOR SALE—Six lots and houses, with one barn and stable, on the corner of Mill and York Streets. Apply to L. A. Wittkowsky, Camden, S. C. WANTED—I want a good share for two horse farm close to Camden. Will furnish 1000 pounds fertilizer per acre. J. L. Moseley. 17th DR. R. E. STEVENSON DENTIST Crocker Building Camden, S. C.