

PERSONAL MENTION.

People Visiting in This City and at Other Points.

—Mrs. D. A. Reid is spending a few days in Charleston.

—Mr. Walter Curry spent a few days that week in Charleston.

—Messrs. H. L. Kearse and Frank Folk spent last Sunday in Hartsville.

—Mr. Decania Dowling has returned to the city from a business trip to New York.

—Messrs. L. P. McMillan and H. D. Free made a business trip to Atlanta last week.

—Mrs. Hattie M. Stubbs left a few days ago for Florida, where she will spend the winter.

—Misses Green, of Orangeburg, spent the week-end in the city with Miss Alma Black.

Mr. E. A. Inabinet and family have moved into rooms in the Folk building on Main street.

—Mr. and Mrs. John H. Cope have returned to the city from Florida, where they spent some time.

—Miss Sallie Free has gone to Crescent City, Fla., where she will spend some time with relatives.

—Col. W. A. Klauber went to Columbia Tuesday to be present at the reception given by Governor Manning.

—Misses Sallie Free, Maggie Zeigler and Daisy Free attended the missionary meeting near Blackville Saturday.

—Mrs. Sallie Lever and little son, of Blythewood, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Felder, on Bridge street.

—Mrs. Charles E. Wilson returned to the city Tuesday night from Corinth, Miss., where she spent several weeks with relatives.

—Mrs. J. E. Newsom has returned to the city from Williston, where she was called on account of the illness of her mother, Mrs. Harvey.

—Mrs. G. D. Sanders, after spending several days with Mrs. W. P. Jones, left for Columbia, to see Sarah Bernhardt before returning to her home in Fairfax.

HE USES HIS WIFE'S EYES.

Walter McDonald, Georgia's Youngest Legislator, is Totally Blind.

When the members of the next legislature meet in Atlanta there will be one among the number who, aside from being the youngest member of the general assembly, will be the cause of much interested comment. He is only 24 years old and he is blind.

Walter R. McDonald, representative from Richmond county, is the legislator suffering from this handicap. But McDonald has demonstrated that it will require more of a handicap than lack of years and eyesight to bring about defeat for him. He is a youngster of ability and determination, which was demonstrated when he defeated ten aspirants for the position he now holds.

Since early boyhood McDonald has been blind. When a small boy McDonald was caught taking watermelons from a farmer's field. Somebody fired and the bird shot struck the boy full in the face, destroying forever his sight.

McDonald, undaunted by his handicap, announced that he was going to study law. He first went to the blind academy at Macon; three years later he was at Overbrook, Pa., then at Brown (preparatory) college in Pennsylvania; then he was admitted to the Georgia State university and from that institution he graduated in 1914.

"How did I manage it? Why, I arranged for my roommate to study aloud. I learned my lessons while he studied," McDonald says.

McDonald began to practice in 1914, and in 1916 he added the winning element to his life, for he took a wife. Since his marriage his blindness has proved less of a hardship than ever, for Mrs. McDonald, a bright little woman, sees both for herself and her husband. She is going to Atlanta with him when the legislature meets. She is to study law there and seek admission to the bar also. She will be admitted without a doubt, for she is already well versed in the law, which makes her the greatest kind of help to her husband in the practice of the profession.—Augusta Chronicle.

Superfluous Grit.

During a particularly nasty dust storm at one of the camps a recruit ventured to seek shelter in the sacred precincts of the cook's domain.

After a time he broke an awkward silence by saying to the cook:

"If you put the lid on that camp kettle you would not get so much of the dust in your soup."

The irate cook glared at the intruder, and then broke out:

"See here, me lad, your business is to serve your country."

"Yes," interrupted the recruit, "but not to eat it."—Tit-Bits.

VISITED COUNTY SCHOOLS.

State Supervisor of Rural Schools Highly Commends County.

Prof. Lueco Gunter, State supervisor of rural schools, recently spent two days in Bamberg county on an inspection of the rural schools of the county. In a report to the county superintendent of education, Prof. Gunter highly praises the school system of the county. Under date of January 13, he writes as follows:

"For many months the State supervisor of rural schools had been looking forward to the time when he should have the pleasure of visiting some of the country schools of Bamberg county. The past week this opportunity came and two days in your schools were greatly enjoyed. The State supervisor would have been glad to have a longer time to visit in the county but two days in a small county like Bamberg gave him as good insight into the school situation as a week in many other counties would have given. Some of the schools of Bamberg county have made great progress in the past few years. Schools of the type of Hunter's Chapel, Colston, and Oak Grove are the kind to which country people will have to look for thorough instruction for their children. Such schools in many other sections are not possible on account of the sparseness of white population.

"The first day the State supervisor visited the following schools: Midway, Hydiga, Sandy Run, Edisto, and Hunter's Chapel. Midway is a small one-teacher school with a comfortable school building and good work in progress. With the small enrollment and no pupils further advanced than the present most advanced class it is possible for the teacher to do thorough work in all the grades. Advanced instruction at Midway would necessarily depend on a larger school and a larger teaching force.

"Hydiga is another one-teacher school. The enrollment here is much larger than at Midway and is, in fact, approaching two-teacher needs. The schoolhouse is not so comfortable as some other schoolhouses in the county and it occurred to the State supervisor of rural schools that the people of the Hydiga community might early plan for the erection of a two-teacher house looking to the early employment of two teachers in the school.

"Sandy Run was next visited. This is a very small one-teacher school not far from the Colleton county line. The school last year had a total enrollment of only 12. Such an enrollment enables the teacher to impart thorough instruction to every pupil. High school work of an advanced type and a pronounced school spirit, however, are impossible in such a school. The building at Sandy Run is not in keeping with the demands of modern instruction. With a small but modern building, comfortably furnished, the school at Sandy Run would be in as satisfactory condition as could be expected for a one-teacher school.

"Edisto is a one-teacher school in the same district with Sandy Run. This school is fortunate in having a college man of the community as teacher. It has, therefore, a teacher interested not only in the school but interested in the community welfare. At the same time, the school secures home talent of preparation that would be impossible if the teacher had to be imported. Good school work is being done at Edisto. The building is not modern in design and arrangement but is altogether a comfortable schoolhouse.

"Hunter's Chapel was the next school visited. This community had the misfortune last year of losing a splendid modern building by fire. The foresight of some fire insurance and some excellent community spirit have made possible a building that is larger and better than the former house. Their present building is a thoroughly modern, three-room structure, substantial in construction and neat in finish. It is adequate to the demands of any country school the size of Hunter's Chapel. This school is fortunate in having some teachers that are at home in the community. While interested in best serving the pupils of the school, they are at the same time interested in everything that helps the community which is their home and in which they live.

"Effort was made to reach the Camp Branch school. This school had closed, however, before the supervisor arrived.

"Sandy Run, Edisto, and Camp Branch are all in the same district. A condition of this kind usually works a financial hardship on the school districts in that the district itself draws State aid and not the schools. Where it can be maintained one white school to the district is the ideal.

"Wednesday the following schools were visited. Hampton, Clear Pond, Oak Grove, St. John's, and Colston. Hampton is a one-teacher school with a small enrollment in a new one-teacher building. This school is a consolidation but with the consolidation the enrollment is so small that the teacher can do thorough work

with all the children. The supervisor found a new teacher in charge of this school but the work was progressing in a highly satisfactory manner. The building is neatly finished, but unfortunately was not erected in accordance with the State plans and it does not, therefore, conform to the modern requirements of a schoolhouse.

"The next school visited was Clear Pond. At one time this was a large school but it is now a one-teacher school with a small enrollment. The school is working under comfortable conditions and the pupils have possibilities of thorough instruction with the small enrollment that are not to be found in a larger school. There cannot be, however, the school spirit that exists in larger schools.

"Oak Grove is a two-teacher school in a two-teacher building erected in accordance with the State plans, with the details carefully looked after. The enrollment of this school is not quite sufficient to enable the school to qualify as a rural graded school under the rural graded school law. With the thorough work that is being done and with the splendid equipment possessed by the school the time will likely soon come when this can be a rural graded school organized under the State law, receiving \$200 rural graded school aid.

"From Oak Grove the supervisor went to St. John's. This school was found in a new building, comfortable and substantially erected. The old building had been destroyed by fire. Upon arrival the State supervisor felt that this school already was in need of two-teacher accommodations. The enrollment is large and the number of classes such that thorough instruction is impossible. No one can realize this more than the interested and hard-working teacher who was found in charge of the school. Preparations ought soon to be made in this community for this school to become a State aided rural graded school. The State supervisor made an effort to reach the Camp Hill school, but upon his arrival he found the school closed for the day.

"On the return to Bamberg, Colston school was visited. This school is a rural graded school which is the result of consolidation. The building is modern in design, and arrangement, substantially constructed and well finished. The enrollment and attendance are good. The school gave every appearance of thorough organization and excellent management. Colston is the type of school that is bringing to country children all over the State advantages that were a few years ago impossible in most of our country districts.

"The State supervisor greatly enjoyed his visits to these schools and will be pleased to visit other schools in the county with the earliest opportunity. He is highly appreciative of the many kindnesses shown him by the teachers and the pupils with every visit."

Weights and Measures.

"Many of your customers away for the holidays?" asked the housewife of her milkman.

"Well, ma'am," he replied, "at least five gallons of them were away Christmas."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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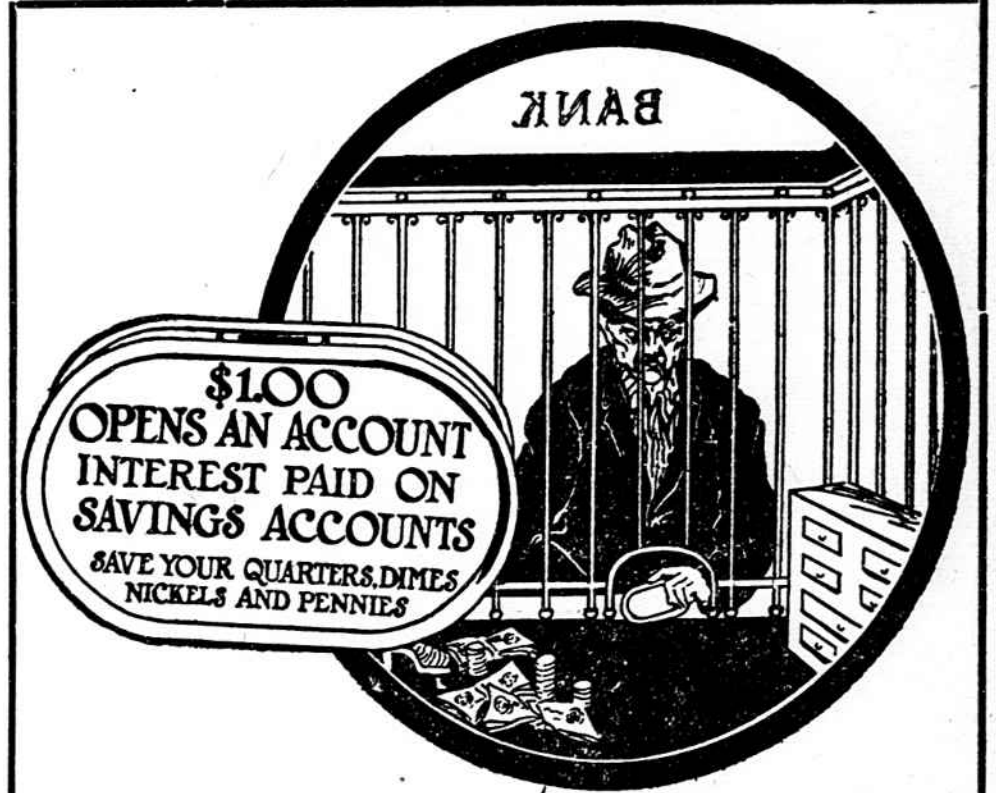
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NOTICE OF FINAL DISCHARGE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned as administratrix of the estate of Mrs. Jane M. Rizer will make her final return before the probate judge of Bamberg county on Friday, January 26th, 1917, and at the same time will apply for her final discharge as administratrix of said estate. MRS. G. W. M. KEARSE.

NOTICE.

All persons who have claims against the estate of Scipio Moore will present them duly proven within thirty days from date to the undersigned. J. H. KINARD, Agent. Ehrhardt, S. C., Jan. 4, 1917. 4t.

NOTICE.

State of South Carolina—County of Bamberg. To all whom it may concern, please take notice: That the undersigned has lost a certificate of the capital stock of the Ehrhardt Banking Company, of Ehrhardt, S. C., said certificate being No. 5, and application will be made to said Bank on February 19th, 1917, for a duplicate certificate of same. JNO. F. FOLK. 2-15

Dr. THOMAS BLACK, JR.

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