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COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

News Items Gathered All Around the County and Elsewhere.

Ehrhardt Etchings.
Ehrhardt, April 10.—Last week was full of amusement; first, Monday evening Judge Bales's lecture on the liquor question. He gave an interesting talk on this subject and a large crowd was present to listen to his remarks. Second, all the week was the carnival. This attraction drew a large crowd each evening, especially on Saturday, with the colored folks, the merry-go-round and the merry-go-up (ferris wheel) were kept busy until late each evening to pacify the wants of those who like to ride.

Friday evening, a play, entitled "Better than Gold," was presented by home talent in the town hall to a large audience. These young folks did well and deserve much credit for the way they acted their parts. About \$75.00 was realized, which will be credited on the piano fund.

The stores in town, except the grocery and drug stores, began last Monday to close at 6 o'clock, p. m., and will continue until about the middle of August, with Saturday excepted. This brings smiles on the clerks' faces, as they can get out to play ball, work the garden, cut stove wood, fill an early date with their girls, and in many other ways to appreciate the freedom after being cooped indoors all day. Those agreeing to close are as follows: C. Ehrhardt & Son, L. M. Hiers & Sons, O. E. Kearse, J. M. Kirkland & Co., M. Leinwand, J. M. Dannelly & Co., S. W. Copeland, H. Karesh.

The news contributed last week by "Rex" was much enjoyed. Come regularly each week with all the happenings. JEF.

Denmark Dots.

Denmark, April 7.—The Grahams chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, met with Mrs. Frank Sturgeon Thursday afternoon. The president, Miss Ruby Guess, presided. The meeting was opened with the Lord's prayer repeated in concert and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Miss Lillie Cooper presented a list of names of women of the Confederacy for honorary membership. The chapter unanimously voted all in and the recording secretary was instructed to write a note to each. Plans were made for Memorial day and committees appointed. A motion was made and carried that the next meeting be moved up a week on account of Memorial day falling on the regular day for meeting. The historical programme consisted of a paper on "Joseph Johnston and A. S. Johnston," by Mrs. Sturgeon, and a reading of the Ku Klux Klan by Mrs. L. E. Spann. The meeting adjourned to meet in May with Miss Pauline Turner. A sweet course was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. F. H. McCrae.

Honor Roll of Denmark School.

Denmark, April 9.—Following is the honor roll of the Denmark graded school:

First grade—Martha Council, Esther Riley, Mary Smoak, Annie Turner, Frances Wiggins, Jennings Keller, Robert Sojourner.

Second grade—Albert Bean, J. Z. Brooker, Leslie Easterling, G. W. Goolsby, Hoyt Smoak, Louis Spann, Fletcher Sojourner, Govan Zeigler, Dorothy Hightower, Dorothy Stevenson.

Third grade—Joe Collins, Clyde Gillam, Clifford Ray, Koger Smoak, Joe Wyman, Hagood Zorn, Helen Brooker, Winnie Cox, Mamie Turner, Miriam Turner, Mary Hane Walker, Grace Wiggins.

Fourth grade—John Turner, Edward Zeigler, Sarah Califf, Dorothy Matthews, Julia Ray, Lena Stevenson, Myrtle Walker.

Fifth grade—Sadie Spires, Everdell Hartzog, Leona Hartzog, Emma Bogen, Margaret Brooker, Frances Dozier, Albert Folk, Stanwix Hutto, Richard Sojourner.

Sixth grade—Joe Matthews, Pernelle Collins, Evelyn Cain, Jenie Gillam, Margaret Hoffman, Dorothy Riley, Helen Turner, Eldridge Hightower.

Seventh grade—Mabel Gillam, Louise Ray, Leoline Walker, Georgia LeCroy, Selma Seymour, Ruth Califf, Louise Thomas, Edward Cox, Carlisle Folk, Fred Wiggins.

Eighth grade—Edna Creech, Anna

Matthews.
Ninth grade—Harold Sojourner, Ruth Folk, Lela Gillam, Cecile Hope, Elizabeth McCrae, Julia McCrae, Daisy Tillman.
Tenth grade—Julia Cox, Willie Dell Hutto, Laura Ray.
Eleventh grade—Hazel LeCroy, Martha Wiggins, Clara Wyman, Philip Cox.

Schofield Sketches.

Schofield, April 9.—Mr. C. A. Peters has organized a Sunday-school here, to meet each Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. G. W. Sowers, of Embree, spent Easter here with his family. Messrs. F. G. P. Weigand and D. L. Shippert motored over to Orangeburg Sunday.

Rev. L. L. Shealy, of Sycamore, conducted a revival meeting here last week.

Mr. Edward McCormick, of Govan, was a visitor here Sunday last.

Mr. P. K. Shultz spent last Friday at Fairfax. DRAEBLER.

Spring Branch Sayings.

Spring Branch, April 10.—Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Sandifer spent last weekend in Hampton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hutto were the guests of Mrs. N. E. Hutto, Sunday.

Mr. Monroe Crider spent Sunday with Mr. Hansford O'Quinn.

Messrs. Mayfield Bessinger and Charlie Goodwin spent Saturday night with Messrs. Frank and G. Hugh Goodwin.

Miss Nell Clayton spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Clayton.

Misses Edith and Hughie Hutto, Ethel Zeigler, and Lottie Crider spent last Wednesday night with Miss Reba O'Quinn.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Crider were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Zeigler Sunday.

Mrs. Ruth Sandifer, of Denmark, spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Crider.

Mrs. J. H. Hutto and children and Mrs. E. C. Brown and children were the guests of Mrs. J. P. O'Quinn last Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Herndon and little son, Willard, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Crider.

Mr. Ernest Folk was the guest of Mr. Hansford O'Quinn Friday night.

Mr. E. M. Zeigler and family were the guests of Mr. J. P. O'Quinn and family Sunday afternoon.

Briar Creek Bristlings.

Briar Creek, April 10.—Mr. G. L. Rast, of Denmark, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Jim Hicks, at Midway.

Miss Beulah Sineath, of Orangeburg, and Miss Learline Stroman are spending some time with Mrs. Maggie Hicks, at Midway.

Miss Maud Padgett, of Bamberg, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Hattie May Morris.

Mr. John Stroud spent Saturday night at Midway.

Mr. W. P. Middleton, of Midway, gave an Easter party Saturday. There was quite a large crowd of young people present. They enjoyed the party very much.

Mr. D. D. Steedly has purchased an automobile. He visited his father, Mr. D. O. Steedly, who is very ill, Sunday.

Miss Mozelle Steedly of Branchville, is spending some time with her cousin, Mrs. Florrie Steedly.

Mrs. J. A. Steedly spent Sunday at the home of Mr. D. O. Steedly.

Miss Catherine Rentz and Miss Winnie Stokes, of Bamberg, spent Saturday afternoon at Midway.

Mr. George Steedly visited in the Briar Creek section Sunday.

Mr. A. Bessinger visited Mr. D. O. Steedly Monday.

Mrs. Elvin Brown, of Bamberg, visited her sister, Mrs. Jim Hicks, Saturday night and Sunday.

Colston Clippings.

Colston, April 10.—On account of the rain there was no Sunday school at Colston Sunday afternoon, although a few went after the shower was over.

Mr. R. L. Jackson spent last weekend with his parents at Sumter.

Misses Bessie and Julia Kirkland spent Saturday night at the home of their uncle, Mr. Frank Kirkland.

Mr. H. Z. McMillan spent Saturday in Bamberg.

Mr. John G. Clayton, of Walterboro, and Miss Nelle Clayton, of Spring Branch, spent last week-end at home.

Misses Mamie McMillan and Gusie Hutto, of Bamberg, spent last week-end at the home of Mr. Preston McMillan.

Mr. Malone Varn, of Bamberg,

visited in this section last week-end.

Mr. Talbert Padgett spent Saturday night with Mr. Gerald Kearse.

Miss Inez Clayton spent Saturday night with her brother, Mr. H. K. Clayton.

Misses Annie Florence and Pretto Fender, of Ehrhardt, spent last weekend at home.

Several of the young people of the community attended the play at Ehrhardt Friday night.

Miss Dora McMillan, of Bamberg, spent last week-end at home.

Messrs. Frank, Jr., and Claude Kirkland and Will McMillan were visitors in the Clear Pond section Sunday night.

Mr. Perry Lee McMillan, of Columbia, is at home for several days.

Miss Evelyn Kirkland spent Sunday night with Miss Mamie McMillan.

The only Easter observance in the neighborhood was an egg hunt at the church Friday afternoon, which was very much enjoyed by the children. The prize, a silk handkerchief, was awarded to Laurie Miller, who found the greatest number of eggs.

The Woman's Missionary union, of this district, will hold its meeting with the Colston Branch Baptist church on the fourth Saturday in this month.

Oak Grove Greetings.

Oak Grove, April 9.—We have been having some windy weather for the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hayden, of Cope, motored to Mrs. Rose Hoffman's last Sunday. They brought Miss Nina and Mr. Lloyd Hayden with them and they spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Copeland.

Mr. E. W. Carter, of Barnwell, spent last Saturday with his mother. Mr. Isaac Carter returned with him to spend a few days.

There has been some lagrippe in the community.

Mr. J. W. Copeland and son, Williams, and Misses Pattie Milley and Mamie Copeland motored to Norway last Friday evening for Miss Clara Copeland to spend the week-end with her parents.

Mr. Rhett Martin, of Cope, spent the week-end with his sister, Miss Pearl Martin, who has been ill for the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Copeland dined with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Copeland last Sunday.

Mr. Rob Carter has accepted a position at Ehrhardt.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rice, Miss Edna Rice and Mr. J. B. Rice, of Bamberg, spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Copeland.

One more joyful Easter has gone.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hayden, of Cope, motored to Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Copeland's last Wednesday and Mrs. J. L. Copeland returned with them.

Among those who spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Zeigler, of Mt. Pleasant section, were: Rev. E. F. K. Roof, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Fender, Mr. Mounzon Zeigler, of Columbia, and Misses Lonie Copeland, Pretto and Annie Florence Fender.

Mrs. L. W. Copeland and daughter, Miss Lonie Copeland, attended the picnic at Mr. Billie Folk's, of Clear Pond section.

Mr. Barnie Hiers and sister, Miss Estelle, spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Willie Bishop.

Mr. George McMillan and Miss Grace Hoffman, of the Lodge section, attended the picnic last Friday at Clear Pond.

Mr. Frank Lemacks, of Ashepoo, spent a few days with his sister, Mrs. George McKenzie.

Kearse Klippings.

Kearse, April 9.—Kearse Sunday-school gave in egg hunt at the church Saturday afternoon. Everybody enjoyed it.

Mrs. Geo. D. Sanders, of Fairfax, Messrs. Carl Kearse and Jarvis Thomson, of Columbia, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Kearse.

Miss Gladys Johns, of Ehrhardt, and several young folks of the community took tea with Mrs. Geo. B. Kearse Sunday evening.

Owing to the heavy rains Sunday afternoon, there were no services at the church.

Meeting of the Kearse Club.

Mrs. W. H. Ritter was hostess to the Home Demonstration club, of Kearse, on April 6th, Mrs. H. M. Brabham presiding. After roll call by the secretary, Miss Cressie Bree-land, the subject for the month, "Community Sanitation," was announced and bulletins distributed by Mrs. Faust, county agent. A splendid paper, written by Mrs. H. Angus Kearse, was first on the programme. Her subject, "Water supply and dis-

posal of waste," is one in which all are interested, and her paper showed careful preparation, and gave many helpful suggestions for solving these vital problems of country life. The speaker of the afternoon, Dr. L. A. Hartzog, of Olar, was next introduced, the club having invited him to address them on "Community health." Dr. Hartzog handled this important subject in a pleasing and practical way. He took up the common diseases, such as malaria, typhoid, and hookworm, and showed how easily they can be prevented once their causes are understood and the right method employed. He spoke of flies and mosquitoes as carriers of disease, traced the life history of these pests, advised drainage, screening, proper disposal of garbage and other sanitary measures. He gave statistics showing the loss in efficiency of adults and children from hookworm infection and stressed the importance of medical inspection of school children. Mrs. G. E. Ritter being absent, her paper on "Contagious diseases and home nursing" was postponed till next meeting.

At the close of the programme the hostess served a salad course with coffee.

Mrs. Joe Kearse invited the club for the May meeting. The subject and demonstration will be the "Economic use of left-overs."

Buford Bridge Budget.

Buford Bridge, April 10.—Easter passed very quietly around here.

The egg hunt given Friday afternoon at the school house was quite a success. A large crowd of children and grown-ups was present.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Mason Crum, of Orangeburg, spent last week-end very pleasantly at the home of Mrs. Sarah D. Brabham. Mr. Crum made an address at Mizpah church Sunday morning in behalf of the Methodist colleges of the State. A good crowd was present and all enjoyed it.

Mrs. R. M. Kearse spent last Sunday in Ehrhardt.

Mr. Eugene Milhous and family, of Olar, have moved in their pretty new home in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren and Mrs. Warren's mother, Mrs. Carrie Miller, of Appleton, were visitors at the home of Mr. R. M. Kearse last Sunday.

Mrs. A. H. Neeley spent Easter at her home in Aiken. BOAGUS.

Branchville Breezes.

Branchville, April 7.—Mrs. Sallie Byrd, of Savannah, is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Florence Hunter, of Columbia, is spending some time with Mrs. W. A. Dukes.

Mrs. J. E. Hutto and children, of Charleston, are visiting Mrs. Carrie Byrd.

Miss Sadie Byrd is at home from Columbia college for the spring holidays.

The music class of the graded school was entertained on Wednesday evening last by the teacher, Miss Cottingham, at the home of Mrs. C. W. Patrick.

Two Deaths at Branchville.

Branchville, April 7.—Miss Ida Virginia Appleby, of Reevesville died suddenly Friday morning and the remains were buried today at the Appleby cemetery. She was a maiden lady about 49 years old and a member of a well known family in this section. She is survived by two brothers, W. P. Appleby, of Branchville, and D. E. Appleby, of Ruffin, and one sister, Miss Ansly Appleby, of Reevesville.

Wilmer H. Dukes died at his home in Branchville yesterday morning at 10 o'clock after being ill for a long period. He was a member of the well known Dukes family of this section. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Dukes, of Branchville, and was about 26 years old. He married Miss Mamie Follin, of Eutawville, who with a little daughter 5 years old survives him.

Boy Scouts Ready.

Branchville, April 7.—The boys of Branchville took up the matter of forming a Boy Scout troop this week. They enrolled 31 members, met and elected the following officers: Scout master, Hugh Long; assistant scout master, Harold Hunt; secretary, Cambon Noble. A committee has been appointed and the boys are interested in taking a real part in the clean up campaign now going on in Branchville. This committee will make an investigation of the condition of the streets, drainage and make a report to the town council with recommendations. They are offering to do their part of work in cleaning up the town and putting it in a sanitary condition.

IN THE PALMETTO STATE

SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

State News Boiled Down for Quick Reading.—Paragraphs About Men and Happenings.

The Columbia Farm Loan bank will have its quarters on the thirteenth floor of the Palmetto National bank building in Columbia.

The governor has accepted an invitation to deliver an address before the National Conference of Charities and Corrections when it meets in Pittsburgh, Pa., in June.

E. B. Welborn, a large land owner and lumber man of Greenville county, died in Greenville, Monday, of indigestion, which physicians believe was brought on by eating peanuts.

The skeleton of a man found in St. Andrew's parish, across the Ashley river from Charleston, by some small boys Sunday, has been identified as that of Edward Scott, a young white man who formerly lived in Charleston. Identification was established through a Charleston dentist, who had filled some teeth for Scott and whose description of the work done tallied with the teeth of the skeleton. Scott was subject to spells of sickness and it is believed that he died when seized with one of these.

TO HAVE TREMENDOUS ARMY.

Vast Scope of President's Plans Revealed in Military Budget.

Washington, April 5.—The vast scope of the administration's plans for a war army and navy were revealed today after a military budget of \$3,400,000,000 had been submitted to congress. In broad terms it is proposed to quadruple the enlisted strength of the navy and to have in service within a year an army of a million trained men, including the first 500,000 to be brought to the colors by selective conscription.

Bills to carry out the programme are already in the hands of the congressional military and naval committees.

The budget is divided so that \$2,932,000,000 goes to the army and \$468,000,000 to the navy. The aims are in addition to the regular army appropriation bill of \$240,000,000 and appropriations totaling \$517,273,082 already available for the army.

The navy's task will be to raise the present enlisted strength of 68,700 men to 197,000 in the shortest possible time. It is estimated that it will cost \$175,855.61 to do this. A lump sum appropriation of \$292,538,790 is asked to cover new construction and all other material expenses.

The army bill, drafted by the general staff, has been approved by President Wilson, and the department decided today to make it public immediately upon passage of the war resolution by the senate.

KEEP MOUTHS SHUT ADVICE FOR ALIENS

Good Counsel for Those Who are Temporarily Enjoying America's Advantages.

Philadelphia, April 6.—The following notice signed by United States Attorney General Gregory was received today by the federal marshal of the Philadelphia district:

"No German alien enemy in this country who has not hitherto been implicated in plots against the interests of the United States need have any fear of action by the department of justice so long as he observes the following warning: 'Obey the law; keep your mouth shut.'"

To Make Georgetown Safe.

Washington, April 7.—Upon the request of Dr. Olin Sawyer, mayor of Georgetown, and R. J. Clifton, of that city, Congressman Ragsdale has secured information from both the war and navy departments to the effect that the entrance of Georgetown harbor will be made secure against attack from a foreign enemy.

Mr. Ragsdale took this matter up with the heads of the two departments yesterday and although he is not permitted to say exactly what will be done it is understood that the request will be complied with immediately and Georgetown made safe.

TO USE INTERNED SHIPS.

Hundred German Merchantmen Taken Over By United States.

Washington, April 6.—While a final decision has not been reached, indications after today's cabinet meeting were that nearly a hundred German merchant vessels taken over in different ports today will be regarded as the property of the American government and paid for after the war.

The vessels laid up in American harbors for safety at the outbreak of the war in Europe were seized today immediately after the house's passage of the war resolution. Their crews will be removed to immigration detention stations, there to be treated as aliens, admissible to the country if able to pass the ordinary immigration tests. The fact that many are naval reservists will not serve to bar them.

There were indications today that damage done to the ships by their crews when relations between the United States and Germany were broken will be repaired as early as possible and the ships put into the transatlantic trade to transport supplies to the allies.

The total tonnage could not be built in American yards in less than a year and some of the largest ships, notably the Vaterland, could not be produced in the United States in several years.

Will Be Dry Docked.

All of the ships will have to be dry docked before they can be made seaworthy. Bureau of navigation officials pointed today to practical difficulties that will delay repairs in that the ships will fill the country's dry docks for some time to come. The great Vaterland, with a tonnage of 54,000, is too large to enter any of the American dry docks and will have to be towed to Balboa to be docked. The earliest time estimated to put any of the vessels into service is three months. Many of them cannot be repaired that soon.

For Protection.

A final decision as to the disposition of the ships probably will be made within a few days. A brief statement issued by the treasury department today said they were being taken in charge for the purpose of protecting them and other property. Officials said an "intelligent use" would be made of the vessels and that they either could be used as naval auxiliaries or as merchant ships. Most of them would make excellent troop transports. Fourteen of the largest and swiftest could carry 40,000 troops, which is twice as many as could be transported by the entire available American merchant fleet.

Some Officials Differ.

Some officials said today that the ships could not be taken over by the United States formally and put into service without an act of congress. They said also that there was a strong likelihood that if put into service they would be operated by the shipping board, which, under the law, is authorized to charter and operate ships.

Would Take Three Months.

If the German ships are taken for service by the United States most of them, it was said at the department of commerce today, could be put into service within three to four months.

If the United States decides to send an army to Europe the ships will prove invaluable. Fourteen can carry at a speed faster than fourteen knots 40,000 troops. The entire American merchant fleet available can carry only about 20,000 troops at less speed.

Bureau of navigation officials said today that use of the German ships would add 200 per cent. to this country's ability to land trained men in effective numbers in Europe.

Most of the fast German liners are built as naval auxiliaries with gun platforms, reinforced decks and steering gear below the water line.

Actual seizure of the vessels for military purposes, officials say, will greatly strengthen the American fleet. The use of American ships as transports would withdraw just that much tonnage from the transport of supplies to the allies and would impair this country's efforts to supplement the allies' industrial strength.

Not Scared of Fire.

"The Glithers baby threw a bundle of stock into the fire yesterday morning."

"What a loss! It was destroyed, of course?"

"No, Glithers bought the stock from a promoter. It was too full of water to burn."—Birmingham Age-Herald.