

The Bamberg Herald Thursday, April 12, 1917.

SHORT LOCALS.

Brief Items of Interest Throughout the Town and County.

Rev. A. E. Reimer, of Kingstree, will supply the Baptist pulpit on the fourth Sunday in this month.

Slight frosts have been reported during the past week. The frosts were so light, however, that no damage was done.

The South Carolina Board of Trade was organized recently. Mr. John H. Cope, of Bamberg, was elected a member of the board of directors, representing Bamberg county.

Dr. C. Lewis Fowler, president of Cox college, Atlanta, Ga., will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. The public is cordially invited to be present.

A trainload of naval militia passed through Bamberg Sunday afternoon, presumably en route to Charleston. The train attracted quite a good deal of notice as the sailors passed through.

Spring gardens are most promising. The weather has been very favorable to gardening this spring, and people are planting large gardens as a measure of preparedness against high food prices.

The Woman's Missionary society of the Methodist church will meet at the church next Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock. A delegate to the State meeting will be elected, and a full attendance is desired.

At a recent meeting of the Bamberg lodge, Knights of Pythias, the following were elected representatives to the grand lodge, which convenes in May at Union: U. G. Hutto and H. L. Hinant; Dr. J. B. Black and H. C. Folk, alternates.

A filtering plant is being installed at the city water plant. The work is being rapidly pushed, and the plant will soon be in operation, and the city will have a bountiful supply of pure water, which may be used for all household purposes.

At the recent preliminaries at the University of South Carolina, Mr. J. C. Kearse, of this county, was chosen as one of two debaters to represent the university at the triangular debate between the universities of South Carolina, Florida and Tennessee, on April 21st.

A voluntary petition of bankruptcy was filed by Wildon W. Cain, of Denmark, Tuesday morning in the United States district court. The liabilities of the bankrupt were \$1,249.60, while the assets totaled \$766.82. The adjudication and order of reference followed immediately.

Supervisor McMillan requests us to state that all parties must stop plowing or dragging their plows into public or improved roads. It costs the county a lot of money to build roads, and this money is wasted if plowhands continue to drag their plows at the ends of rows into the roads.

Fire, which was discovered at an early hour Thursday morning, completely destroyed the store building of Mr. W. I. Johns, at Baldock, together with its contents. The loss was about \$6,000 with no insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown but is thought to have been started by rats and matches.—Barnwell People.

Mr. J. D. McAlhane, who lives near Branchville, stated to a representative of The Herald while in the city Sunday, that the coming of the boll weevil did not worry him as he had been married and keeping house for the past fifty years and during that time has never had to buy a pound of meat, a grain of rice or a drop of syrup.

Mrs. Mary L. Garrick, widow of the late Tom Garrick, and Prof. W. T. Davidson, both of Norway, were happily married Friday afternoon at four o'clock by the Rev. George E. Davis, pastor of the First Baptist church, of this city. A number of friends were present at the ceremony. After a short bridal trip to Charleston and Denmark, they will make their home in Norway.—Orangeburg Times and Democrat.

Can Enlist for War.

H. Wickliffe Johnson, agent, has received a copy of the following letter from the New England Mutual Life Insurance company to the general agent, Theodore W. Bethea: Theodore W. Bethea, 56 Broad street, Charleston, S. C.

Congress having declared war, you are authorized to inform all members who hold policies issued on or before Friday, April sixth, Nineteen Seventeen, that the company grants them permission to engage in the military or naval service of the United States on land or sea, in any part of the world, without the payment of any extra premium; any conditions in their policies to the contrary are hereby waived.

ALFRED D. FOSTER, President. April 6, 1917, 11:25 a. m. —adv.

FIELD DAY CONTESTS.

Oratorical Events This Evening. Field Events Friday Morning.

The Bamberg county oratorical contest and field day will be held at the Bamberg graded school building Thursday evening, April 12th, and Friday, April 13th. On Thursday evening at 8:30 o'clock, the high school contest will be held. In this contest one boy and one girl from each high school in the county is allowed to speak. On Friday morning at 10 o'clock the pupils of the different schools will assemble for the mental contest and the lower grade declamation and recitation contest. These will begin promptly at 10:30 o'clock. From 12 to 1 o'clock the pupils and all who are present will have dinner on the school grounds. Everybody is urged to bring dinner. At 1:30 o'clock the schools will parade through the streets of the town. At 2 o'clock the athletic programme will begin and be carried through in rapid order. This part of the programme will be carried through by Messrs. Whitaker and Daniel, of Carlisle school. All contestants must be registered and at their assigned places when the events are announced. Failure to comply with this rule will rule out any contestant who is not at his assigned place. Let every contestant be at his place and avoid confusion. Information can be had concerning all events by coming to the graded school office.

This is to be a great day for the school children of Bamberg county, and it is hoped that every school in the county will attend with the entire school. It is hoped also that the merchants of Bamberg will close for the few hours of the programme. It is the earnest desire of the field day committee that the people of Bamberg will give the pupils of all the schools such a pleasant day that they will always look forward to the coming of field day with great pleasure. This can be done with the hearty cooperation.

The names of the judges are as follows:

Class A—Arithmetic, Mr. Goodwin and Miss Naomi Sandifer; algebra, Mr. Hucks and Miss Newsom; geometry, Mr. McCown and Mr. Fairley; Latin, Miss Howell and Miss Jones; English (composition), Miss Boyd and Miss Garland; history, Denmark history teacher and Miss Nettie Sandifer; spelling, Miss Bomar and Miss Schuette.

Class B—Arithmetic, Mr. Fender (7th grade), Mrs. Murdaugh (6th grade), Miss Martin (5th grade), geography, Mr. Axon (7th grade), Miss Jordan (6th grade), Miss Kern (5th grade); spelling, Miss Townsend (7th grade), Miss Rose (5th and 6th grades); reading, Misses Clayton, Kitty Hooton, Violet Anderson and Moore.

Class C—Arithmetic, Miss Clinkscales (2nd and 3rd grades), also Misses Moore and Ruth Anderson; reading (1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th grades), Misses Beaty, Dixon and Logan; spelling, Misses Hungerpillar and Black.

New Advertisements.

- D. A. Reid—Go to War. Town of Bamberg—Notice. Thielen Theatre—"Peggy." J. W. Barr—Reo the Fifth. Enterprise Bank—Draw a Check. J. B. Brickle—Down on Your Back. Estate Laura A. Warren—Citation. Bamberg Banking Co.—Be Ready. Farmers & Merchants Bank—Debt. Mildred Louise Co.—Can't Lose Hair. Peoples Bank—The Man With Money. Wm. Wrigley, Jr., Co.—He Used a Pebble. Bamberg Banking Co.—Men Who Go Astray. H. Wickliffe Johnson—Can Enlist in the War. E. A. Hooton—March Our Tenth Anniversary. W. D. & V. F. Bryant—Come See the Chalmers. American Proprietary Co.—Tonaline is Beauty Aid.

Engagement Announced.

Mr. and Mrs. William Forrest Molton, of Birmingham, Ala., announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary England, to Mr. William Clifton Patrick, of this city, the wedding to take place in May.

The bride-elect is a handsome young woman and is a gifted pianist. She was educated at Converse college, Spartanburg, S. C. Mr. Patrick is a native of South Carolina, but has recently moved to Charlotte to make his home. He is secretary of the Dowling Motor company. Mr. Patrick is a successful young business man and possesses a pleasing personality. While he has resided in this city but a short time, he has won numerous friends who will cordially welcome his charming bride. The wedding will be the centre of much social interest here and in Alabama.—Charlotte Observer.

Roll of Pensioners.

The following is the pension roll for Bamberg county. The money is now on hand, and may be had by calling on the clerk of court. Any pensioner not able to call in person, may write to the clerk, and check will be mailed promptly:

- CLASS "A," \$96.00. G. W. Clayton, Ehrhardt. J. W. Bessinger, Bamberg. G. W. Bessinger, Bamberg. H. F. Pearson, Bamberg. J. G. Rentz, Bamberg. J. H. Zeigler, Bamberg. J. B. Hunter, Bamberg. A. Wilson, Bamberg. CLASS "B," \$72.00. J. C. Copeland, Bamberg. CLASS "C," NO. 1, \$48.00. A. R. Dempsey, Midway. R. C. Dempsey, Midway. G. W. Garland, Bamberg. G. H. Kearse, Bamberg. J. E. McMillan, Bamberg. M. Smoak, Bamberg. T. H. White, Bamberg. CLASS "C," No. 2, \$30.00. U. M. Eaves, Govan. William Griffin, Bamberg. D. S. Hartzog, Denmark. H. N. Hadwin, Denmark. G. D. Hanberry, Bamberg. J. H. McCormick, Bamberg. C. M. McMillan, Bamberg. J. C. Nimmons, Govan. J. W. Priestler, Ehrhardt. J. D. Robinson, Bamberg. W. P. Sandifer, Bamberg. J. H. Stoudemire, Bamberg. CLASS "C," No. 3, \$48.00. Lucia Ray, Govan. CLASS "C," No. 4, \$30.00. Elizabeth Beard, Bamberg. Jane Abraham, Olar. M. A. Black, Ehrhardt. Susannah Blume, Denmark. S. A. Bishop, Ehrhardt. Georgiana Brown, Midway. H. M. Carter, Bamberg. R. A. Chisolm, Bamberg. Susan Carter, Bamberg. D. C. Chitty, Ehrhardt. Cornelia J. Dunn, Bamberg. M. J. Eaves, Bamberg. Emily Fall, Denmark. M. A. Gillam, Bamberg. Emma Grimes, Govan. M. A. Hiers, Ehrhardt. Jane Hutto, Denmark. M. A. Inabinet, Bamberg. Sylvania Jones, Bamberg. Mary L. Jones, Bamberg. Alice Johnson, Bamberg. M. L. Johns, Bamberg. Regusta Kirkland, Bamberg. C. A. Kinard, Ehrhardt. M. A. McMillan, Bamberg. M. V. Muse, Bamberg. Mattie Main, Olar. L. A. Martin, Denmark. Mary Myers, Denmark. Nellie Morris, Olar. Eliza Morris, Bamberg. Adeline Neal, Bamberg. Lizzie Neville, Bamberg. M. J. LaFitte, Bamberg. Fannie Phillips, Bamberg. Annie Smoak, Bamberg. Rebecca Smoak, Bamberg. Ellen Steedly, Bamberg. Elizabeth Starr, Olar. Delilah Smoak, Olar. M. E. Smith, Denmark. Eliza Thompson, Bamberg. Sallie R. Tindal, Denmark. Sarah Ann Faust, Denmark. M. E. Tant, Bamberg. Nora Touchstone, Denmark. J. A. Zeigler, Denmark. Mary E. Walker, Denmark. E. N. Wright, Bamberg. Maggie Wilson, Bamberg.

Robert Lathan to Speak Here.

Robert Lathan, editor of the Charleston News and Courier, will speak in Bamberg next Monday, April 16th, on the subject of civic preparedness. Mr. Lathan was selected by Governor Manning's preparedness committee recently selected to prepare South Carolina for the war that has just started between this country and Germany.

That Mr. Lathan, who is a gifted speaker and writer, will have an important message for the people of Bamberg county there is no doubt, and we trust that there will be a large crowd to hear him. There will be a special message for the farmers, who are urged to do their bit for their country. The hoe and plow is going to be as important a factor in this war as powder and shrapnel, and the speaker will endeavor to show the farmers the best method of serving their country in this manner.

Arrested for Violent Talk.

William Smith, alias Schmitt, a stranger, is detained at Fairfax, on charges of using violent language in reference to President Wilson, according to information a citizen telephoned yesterday to the governor's office.

Smith was said to have used such terms in the presence of other passengers on a railway train that when Fairfax was reached his arrest was procured. Stenographic notes of his remarks were taken, the governor's office was informed, and these will be available for use at a preliminary inquiry.—Columbia State.

HOW TO BEAT THE WEEVIL.

H. P. Barton Made Instructive Address Thursday.

That the people of South Carolina spend annually more than seventy-five millions of dollars for foodstuffs; that they spend annually thirty millions of dollars for fertilizers—much of it uselessly; that the boll weevil is certain to come; that the weevil is going to cause devastation, and that thousands of people are going to be ruined by the weevil, are some of the startling statements made last Thursday by Mr. H. P. Barton, who made an address to the farmers and business men of Bamberg and vicinity.

Dr. W. W. Long was expected to come to Bamberg and address the farmers, but Dr. Long was too ill to come Thursday, so he sent "his first lieutenant," as Dr. Watson described him, Mr. Barton, a man who is thoroughly versed about the boll weevil, and about farm conditions in general. While it was very regrettable that Dr. Long could not be present, Mr. Barton's hearers were in no manner disappointed.

Unfortunately for Bamberg county, the meeting was not well attended. This was due in a large measure, no doubt, to the fact that Thursday morning was very inclement. Hard rains had fallen throughout the morning and the night before, and even while Mr. Barton was speaking, the rain was falling in a downpour, accompanied by severe wind and thunder.

The speaker was introduced by Dr. Watson, on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce, under whose auspices Dr. Long had been invited to come to Bamberg.

Mr. Barton stated at the outset that the millions we are sending away for foodstuffs, produce, etc., and fertilizers are, for the largest part, uselessly spent. In other words, the foodstuffs should be produced at home, and the fertilizer bill may be cut to almost nothing by conserving the energy of the lands and rotating leguminous and non-leguminous crops. By this means, said the speaker, the fertilizer cost may be cut two-thirds, at least.

Twenty years ago, said Mr. Barton, about 54 per cent. of the farmers in this State owned their homes; at this time only about thirty per cent. own their plantations. The farmers are gradually starving themselves by planting cotton, and Mr. Barton said that he sometimes feels like thanking God for the boll weevil. The weevil will force the farmers to adopt different methods of farming, will force them to cooperate one with the other, and will compel them to raise more foods and less cotton.

Without a doubt, said he, the weevil is going to cause ruin to thousands of farmers; at the same time, with the continuation of the present method of cotton farming, even without the coming of the weevil, the ruin would be to tens of thousands, instead of thousands. Between cotton and the boll weevil, Mr. Barton said he would take the weevil every time.

Some very interesting charts were exhibited by the speaker. One of these contained statistics on the result of the coming of the weevil to the State of Louisiana. In Baton Rouge county, before the weevil appeared, in round figures, 38,000 bales of cotton were produced; the weevil cut these figures to 944 bales. In another county, 57,000 bales were produced before the weevil came, and 15,000 afterward. Still another county produced, before, 36,000 bales; after 2,000, etc. The point the speaker wished to emphasize with this chart was that in the lower counties of South Carolina the conditions are practically the same as in Louisiana—in fact conditions here are just a little more favorable to the weevil than in Louisiana. What, then, may be expected in South Carolina after the weevil is here?

And the weevil is coming. It is useless to argue with or seek to benefit those persons who persist in saying that the weevil is a myth, and will never come; it is better to let such people alone. Thousands are going to be ruined anyway; might as well let them be among the ruined, and turn our attention to those who have listening ears.

Emphasizing the need for planting food crops, Mr. Barton said that the wheat crop all over the world is short this year, and he urged everybody to plant plentifully of something to eat. He even urged city residents to employ their back yards for gardens, if they could do no better.

Another chart compared the raising of cattle in South Carolina with the State of Iowa. In this State only one cattle is raised to every 35 acres of land; one dairy cow to every 75 acres, and one hog to every 20 acres. In Iowa one cattle is raised to every 7 1-2 acres and one hog to every 4 1-2 acres. Conditions are favorable here to cattle raising, and this is a much neglected industry. Mr.

Barton said that since this chart had been prepared, swine raising had increased a great deal, on account of better marketing conditions, and the prospects of ready sales to the two South Carolina packing houses soon to be ready for business.

Another chart, which told in mute words exactly what cotton raising had done for the State, and how we were neglecting other things, contained the statistics on the number of horses, mules, cattle, dairy cows, hogs and sheep that had been raised annually since 1850. The chart showed the figures for each tenth year, and disclosed the startling fact that, with the exception of mules, there had been each year a gradual reduction in the number of each of the above named. Fewer horses, cattle, dairy cows, hogs and sheep were raised in 1910, the last year given, than in 1850. An increase was shown in the number of mules raised.

The use of various materials for bedding for stables was discussed, and the relative value as fertilizer of such materials was given. He wished to remind the farmers, however, that the use of stable manure, while of great value to the land, could not be termed a land builder, since it was robbing one portion of the place to enrich another. The use of manure is for the purpose of land conservation—holding on to what you already have. The secret of land building lay in planting leguminous crops.

Mr. Barton favors the teaching of agriculture in the public schools. His department finds that it is impossible to reach, under existing conditions, more than ten per cent. of the farmers by means of county demonstrators, and he thinks the salvation of the farming industry could be effected by teaching the children agriculture. The buying of nitrogen, said the speaker, is foolish, when it can be had so easily and cheaply by planting the proper crops.

South Carolina, said the speaker, can raise just as fine mules as can Kentucky or anywhere else. He related how one South Carolina farmer had raised a fine three-year-old mule, weighing twelve hundred pounds, and when asked how much it had taken to raise this mule replied that the animal had eaten fifteen pounds of peavine hay, ten ears of corn and a quart of cottonseed meal a day, and that was all.

Getting down to the crux of the boll weevil situation, Mr. Barton urged his hearers not to continue to plant cotton on the theory that they would "make a killing." In the boll weevil infested country, thousands of farmers had tried this with the result that they did make a killing—but it was of the suicide variety. Farmers can, however, take a chance on planting six acres of cotton to one plow. Velvet beans he considers the greatest crop of the South. Abruzzi rye is another fine crop for this State.

The planting of velvet beans was stressed by the speaker as a means of combating the weevil. These beans, he said, will produce almost as much as the corn in which they are planted. The beans can be gathered any time to suit the convenience of the farmers, as they do not easily decay. They may be harvested as late as February without being in any way damaged.

The proper rotation of a one-horse farm was given by Mr. Barton as follows:

Rotation for One-horse Farm After Weevil Arrives

Year	Crop	Notes
First Year	Cotton, 6 acres; corn and peas, 2 acres. In fall sow Abruzzi rye, 4 acres; oats, 2 acres; wheat, 2 acres. Wheat to follow corn and peas.	Corn and velvet beans. Turn in fall or winter after grazing.
Second Year	Abruzzi rye, 4 acres; oats, 2 acres; wheat, 2 acres. After harvesting grain plant peanuts or soy beans. In fall sow crimson clover; gather as much seed as possible before planting corn and velvet beans.	Cotton, 6 acres; corn and peas, 2 acres. In fall sow Abruzzi rye, 4 acres; oats, 2 acres; wheat, 2 acres. Wheat to follow corn and peas.
Third Year	Corn and velvet beans. Turn in fall or winter after grazing.	Abruzzi rye, 4 acres; oats, 2 acres; wheat, 2 acres. After harvesting grain plant peanuts or soy beans. In fall sow crimson clover; gather as much seed as possible before planting corn and velvet beans.

By following this plan, which was the one approved by the department of agriculture, Mr. Barton believes that the conditions would be ideal for meeting and fighting the weevil. This plan is, of course, to be adopted on the arrival of the weevil.

Farmers will have to plant their cotton early and plant early varieties in order to beat the weevil. It will be necessary to have the crop made in July, as August and September are ideal weevil months. A severe winter, such as the past one, may almost

CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Fire Hose Automobile Truck Will Be Purchased.—Other Matters.

A meeting of city council was held in the council chamber Monday night, at which several matters of public interest were acted upon.

It was decided to levy a prohibitive license on all pool rooms. The present licenses will be revoked on April 15th, at which time a new license will be fixed.

A committee, composed of Mr. C. W. Rentz, from the council, and Mr. W. D. Rhoad, chief of the fire department, was named to purchase an automobile truck for the use of the fire department. This truck will be fitted for quick calls, and will be tested daily to see that it is kept in good condition.

The managers for the city election to be held on May first were named as follows: A. S. Easterling, H. N. Folk, and G. A. Rice. Council also decided to put liberal quantities of kerosene in the ditches and drains to prevent the breeding of mosquitoes.

Bamberg Visitor Detained.

Blackville, April 7.—Blackville is excited tonight over a "spy scare," a German being detained while his papers are investigated by the district attorney's office. Carl Nessler, of 422 Livingstone street, Elizabeth, N. J., was halted by Constable Luther Stivender and is now being held at a Blackville hotel. Nessler says he was born in Germany but came to the United States 25 years ago. He was married in Akron, Ohio, and later returned to Germany. He came back to the United States ten years ago. His wife is now running a boarding house in Elizabeth, N. J. He has never sought citizenship in the United States. The man has a physician's certificate that he has been advised to visit the South for his health and his baggage included numerous remedies for asthma. Mayor O'Gorman telegraphed the mayor of Elizabeth for news of Nessler and was advised that he is "above suspicion."

Mr. Nessler has been in Bamberg for several weeks, having come here, he said, for his health. It is understood that he has been released from custody.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Advertisements Under This Head 25c. For 25 Words or Less.

For Sale—Dry stove wood; delivered on short notice. B. F. FREE, Bamberg, S. C.

For Sale—A few bushels of big boll King Cotton seed. Apply to J. T. O'NEAL, Bamberg, S. C.

For Sale—Imperial Barred Rock eggs, 75c per setting. Apply to MISS ROBERTA JOHNSON, Bamberg, S. C.

Why Let Your storage batteries run down? We have installed up-to-date machinery and guarantee all work. Electric troubles a specialty. MUTUAL GARAGE, Denmark, S. C.

Reo the Fifth, five passenger touring car and three passenger runabouts, 35 H. P. Can furnish them in wide gauge, 60-inch tread. The only car for heavy sand roads. This car is the best finished, largest and most powerful at the price in America. Price \$550.00. F. O. B. Lansing, Mich. J. W. BARR, Distributor, Bamberg, S. C. Live Agents wanted in Orangeburg county. 4-19.