

PERSONAL MENTION.

People Visiting in This City and at Other Points.

—Mr. E. V. Camp spent the week-end in the city.  
 —Mr. G. A. Lucas, of Aiken, was in the city yesterday.  
 —Miss Hattie Newsom spent last week-end in Williston.  
 —Mrs. H. N. Folk and Miss Beatty spent Sunday in Blackville.  
 —Mrs. K. I. Shuck spent last Sunday in Columbia with relatives.  
 —Mr. and Mrs. D. Dowling spent a few days in Beaufort last week.  
 —Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Denbow spent a few days last week in Charleston.  
 —Mr. W. D. Rhoad attended the convention of firemen in Spartanburg this week.  
 —Mr. D. M. Eaves spent a few days last week in Beaufort and Charleston.  
 —Miss Thelma Bailey spent Sunday in the city from Barnwell, where she is teaching.  
 —After spending a few days in the city, Mrs. E. D. Rainey has returned to her home in Beaufort.  
 —Mrs. E. V. Camp, who has been spending several weeks in the city, left Tuesday for Panama City, Fla.  
 —Miss Ruth Shuler, who has just closed her school at Buford's Bridge, is visiting relatives in Aiken county.  
 —Rev. and Mrs. P. K. Rhoad and children, of Providence, are spending a few days in the city with relatives.  
 —Miss Lila McCue, who has been teaching in Sumter county, has returned to her home for the summer vacation.  
 —Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Free are attending the sessions of the Southern Baptist convention in New Orleans this week.  
 —Miss Ethel Black, who taught in the Varnville school has returned to the city, her school having closed for the session.  
 —Miss Marion Jones, who has been the guest of Miss Antoinette Denny, has returned to Denmark.—Aiken Standard.  
 —Miss Ethel Smith, of the Ehrhardt section, has returned to her home from Bennettsville, where she taught the past term.  
 —Mr. E. L. Crocker, representing the Federal Banking service, was in Bamberg and St. George last week.—Charleston American.  
 —Messrs. G. D. Ryan, John W. Folk and L. H. Grandy left Sunday for Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., to enter the training camp of the officers' reserve corps.  
 —Miss Meta Bessinger, who was operated on at the Baker Sanitarium in Charleston last week, is rapidly recovering, her friends will be glad to know.  
 —Mr. I. B. Felder, Mr. John Simmons, Miss Mary Felder, Mrs. M. E. Ayer, and Miss Elizabeth Inabinet motored to Whitmire Sunday. Mrs. Ayer remained in Whitmire to spend several weeks with relatives.  
 —Col. A. C. Bradham, mayor of Manning and a member of the governor's staff, spent the week-end in the city with Col. W. A. Klauber. Mrs. Bradham, who has been visiting in the city, returned home with Col. Bradham Monday.  
 —Cadet Edwin Bruce, of Clemson college, spent a few days in the city last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bruce, before proceeding to Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., to enter the training camp for the officers' reserve corps, to which he has received an appointment. Mr. Bruce graduated from Clemson this year.

The City of Lens.

Lens, the ancient French city of 27,000 inhabitants in the neighborhood of which the English and Canadian troops are now making phenomenal gains in their spring "push," is the subject of the following war geography bulletin issued yesterday by the National Geographic society from its headquarters in Washington: "Lens is in the centre of one of the richest coal regions of northern France (Pas-de-Calais). It is surrounded by 200 square miles of coalfield which prior to the war yielded annually 15,000,000 tons of fuel and which gave employment to 25,000 industry the city itself had numerous steel and iron foundries, engineering works, and steel cable manufacturers. The city is 12 miles north of Arras by rail and some 18 miles southwest 000 men. In addition to this great of Lille. On the line between Arras and Lens is the village of Vimy, which gives its name to the famous ridge over which the contending armies have been fighting for nearly two years. To the northwest is Calais, 70 miles distant by rail. The Deule or Souchez river flows through the town, thereby, with the Lens canal, affording water transportation northward into the Lys."

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WAR REPORTS SUMMARIZED.

News From Various Battlefronts Told in Brief.

After days of intensive fighting, in which positions have changed hands numerous times, the British troops have recaptured the greater portion of the village of Bullecourt and repulsed violent counter attacks delivered by the Germans east of the village.  
 Along the Scarpe river to the east of Arras there also have been sanguinary encounters, but again the advantage rested with Field Marshal Haig's forces. Portions of the village of Roeux have been taken by the British and another step forward has been gained by them on the western slopes of Greenland hill.  
 There has been no let up in the air fighting, which has been going on since the spring offensive began. Eleven German aeroplanes were accounted for Saturday by the British—ten of them in air battles and one by an anti-aircraft gun. The British themselves lost six machines.

Attacks Repulsed.

On the southern end of the line held by the French the Germans Sunday morning made strong attacks on the plateau of Craonne, on the section north of Rheims and in the region of Maisons de Champagne. Not alone did the French put down all three attacks with the fire of their artillery and rifles, causing heavy casualties, but they pushed back the German line and in addition made prisoners. There still is no indication of the approach of any fighting of moment between the Austro-Germans and Russians on the eastern front from the Baltic sea to Rumania. Along this entire line the operations consist merely of small skirmishes and reconnaissances.  
 In Macedonia violent artillery duels are in progress along the entire front, with the preponderance in the gunpower apparently on the entente side. Sunday saw no infantry actions there.

Courage Commands Respect.

Speaking of Congressman Byrnes's speech on conscription, which we publish in another column, the Washington Star, the leading newspaper of the capital, and a strong advocate of conscription said: "One of the strongest anti-conscription speeches heard in the house came today from Representative Byrnes, of South Carolina, whose manner of delivery forced applause even from those bitterly opposed to his views." Similar reference in eastern newspapers opposed to his views would indicate that the congressman has impressed the house with his ability. People generally respect a man of conviction and of courage even though they differ with him, as many differ with Congressman Byrnes in this matter.

A few days before the measure was voted upon Washington newspaper correspondents reported both senators and every representative in the South Carolina delegation, with the exception of Mr. Ragsdale, in favor of the volunteer system. When the vote was taken Senator Tillman was absent, but paired against it, and Senator Smith voted against the volunteer system as did Messrs. Ragsdale, Whaley and Lever. If these gentlemen changed because convinced of their views being wrong they are to be commended, but if they changed for political expediency it is unfortunate, for at this time the people expect their representatives in Washington who also have full opportunity to study measures, to vote their convictions. After the house had defeated the volunteer plan advocated by Mr. Byrnes, according to the Congressional Record, he voted for the final passage of the bill, and in doing so we think he showed the proper spirit.—Aiken Journal and Review.

A TIP TO THE WISE.

How a Woman Overcame Her Fear of Waiters.

In the May Woman's Home Companion a writer says: "Most people stand somewhat in awe of waiters, I find. They tip more than they can afford because they do not want to seem like a 'piker' in the waiter's eyes. Well, I am done worrying about what waiters are thinking about me. I make it a point, now, to let them worry about what I think about them. In the first joy of finding that I could get my rights by standing up for them, I kicked to the captain of a dining car about the conduct of a waiter, and later sent back some unripe fruit with perfect composure. The captain corrected the waiter, the unripe fruit was removed from my bill. It wasn't a bit of trouble—I didn't even raise my voice. But there was no mistake about what I meant.  
 "Since then waiters have had no terrors for me. When I don't get the treatment I ought to have, I call the captain, or the head waiter, and ask what is the matter. He does the rest. And I tip regularly, but not lavishly."

Cosmos and Cosmetics.

Sir Robert Ball had delivered a lecture on "Sun Spots and Solar Chemistry," says the Chicago News. A young lady who met him expressed her regret at having missed the lecture.

"Well," he said "I don't know as you'd have been particularly interested. It was all about sun spots."  
 "Why," she replied, "it would have interested me exceedingly, I have been a martyr to freckles all my life."

Not an Expansionist.

He—Then there is no hope for me?  
 She—Not a hope.  
 He—But you admit you love me.  
 She—You have said it.  
 He—Then why do you refuse to marry me?  
 She—Lack of confidence.  
 He—In me?  
 She—No; in my ability to support a husband properly.—Boston Journal.

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MEETING OF TAXPAYERS.

A meeting of the taxpayers, voters of Bamberg School District, No. 14, is hereby called to be held in the City Hall in the town of Bamberg, S. C., on Monday, May 28, 1917, at 4 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of electing one member of the Board of Trustees, and for the transaction of any other business that may legally come before the meeting.  
 W. M. BRABHAM,  
 Chairman Board of Trustees.  
 Bamberg, S. C., May 9, 1917.

MASTER'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, Bamberg County.  
 By virtue of a decree of the Court of Common Pleas, in the case of Mrs. W. S. Folk, Plaintiff, against B. W. Jones, Frank Folk, and W. H. Sease, as Trustees of First Christian Church of Ehrhardt, I will sell at public sale, for cash to the highest bidder, during the legal hours of sale on saturday in June, 1917, being June 4, 1917, in front of the court house door in Bamberg, S. C., the following described lot or tract of land: All that certain lot or parcel of land, situated in the town of Ehrhardt, Bamberg county, S. C., being lots numbers Three and Four in Block number Nineteen of the said town of Ehrhardt, and bounded on the North, by lot number Two in said Block; East, by Green street; South, by Franklin street, and West, by lots numbers Five and Six in the same block.  
 J. J. BRABHAM, JR.,  
 Probate Judge for Bamberg County, acting as Master.  
 Dated May 15, 1917.

NOTICE OF MASTER'S SALE.

Pursuant to a decretal order in the case of W. T. Jones, et al., vs. Lula Barrs, et al., signed by His Honor, Judge Hayne F. Rice, April 26th, 1917, I, the undersigned Judge of Probate, as Master, for Bamberg county, will sell to the highest bidder for cash at public auction before the court house door at Bamberg, South Carolina, on the 4th day of June, 1917 between the legal hours of sale on said day the following described lands, to wit:

LOT NO. 1.

All that certain tract or parcel of land, situate in Fish Pond Township, county of Bamberg, State of South Carolina, containing twenty-five (25) acres, more or less, and bounded as follows: On the North and East, by lands of J. E. Byrd; on the South, by lands of Robert Brunson and Jesse Kinsey, and on the West, by lands of J. K. Mayfield, said tract of land being the same described in deed of conveyance, executed by J. E. Byrd and Mrs. Luraine Jones, bearing date January 30th, 1897, and recorded in the office of Clerk of Court for Bamberg county in deed book "A," page 270-271.

LOT NO. 2.

All that certain other tract of land situate in Fish Pond Township, county of Bamberg, State of South Carolina, containing ten and one-half (10 1-2) acres, more or less, and bounded as follows: On the North, by lands of William Kinsey and lands of the said Mrs. Luraine Jones and lands of Lewis Neal; on the East and South, by lands of William Kinsey, and on the West, by lands of Johnnie Neal, said tract of land being the same described in deed of conveyance, executed by W. E. Kinsey to Mrs. Luraine Jones, bearing date December 27th, 1898, and recorded in the office of Clerk of Court for Bamberg county in deed book "B," page 265.

Also, that certain other tract or parcel of land, situate in Fish Pond Township, county of Bamberg, State of South Carolina, containing one (1) acre, more or less, and bounded as follows: On the North, by lands of W. T. Jones and P. H. Jones; on the East, by lands of W. E. Kinsey; on the South, by lands of the said Luraine Jones; and on the West, by lands of Johnnie Neal, said tract of land being the same described in deed of conveyance, executed by L. Neal to the said Mrs. Luraine Jones, bearing date October 5th, 1883, and recorded in the office of Clerk of Court for Bamberg county in deed book "6-G," page 128.

Said lands will be sold in two lots as above described. Purchaser to pay for papers.

J. J. BRABHAM, JR.,  
 Judge of Probate, as Master, for Bamberg County.  
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