

The Bamberg Herald
 Thursday, June 7, 1917.
 SHORT LOCALS.

Brief Items of Interest Throughout the Town and County.

The Junior Missionary society will meet at the Methodist church Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Rentz announce the engagement of their daughter, Kate, to Mr. J. J. Heard, the wedding to take place on June 27th.

At the regular meeting of the Bamberg lodge, No. 38, Knights of Pythias, Monday night, it was decided to invest a small sum in Liberty bonds.

The Young Ladies Missionary society of the Methodist church will meet on Wednesday, June 13, at 4 o'clock, p. m., with Miss Corinne Fowler. All members are requested to be present.

Night Policeman Bart Jordan Tuesday night handed in his resignation to city council. He has accepted a position with the commissioners of public works. The vacancy on the police force has not yet been filled.

Cotton was quoted Tuesday morning at 22 cents per pound in Augusta—the highest price since civil war prices. It is surprising, however, to notice what little interest is taken in the price of cotton now. It is rarely mentioned.

There will be a special called conference of the membership of the Baptist church next Sunday morning immediately after Sunday-school. As there will be business of importance to come before the conference, a full attendance is desired.

Col. N. F. Thompson, of Birmingham, Ala., made a talk at the court house Monday afternoon on cooperation between business men and the farmers. Col. Thompson is also the traveling representative of the Progressive Farmer, of Raleigh, N. C.

Mrs. J. W. Barr and Mrs. Hattie Stubbs will be hostesses to the U. D. C. chapter at the home of Mrs. M. A. Bamberg on the afternoon of Tuesday, June 12th, at 4:30. This will be the last meeting before the summer vacation of two months, and all members are requested to be present.

Hail storms visited different parts of the county the past week. Some of the hail stones were reported to have been as large as small eggs, and a great deal of damage has been done to crops generally. Sunday afternoon there was hail above and below Bamberg, but none fell in the town.

On Monday last the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Weir, former resident of Edgefield who now live at Elko, Barnwell county, was brought here for burial by the side of other children of theirs at Willow Brook. Rev. Mr. Gunter conducted the funeral.—Edgefield Chronicle.

The Herald Book Store window is graced with a very fine sheaf of wheat from a field of Mr. J. H. Pearson near the city. Mr. Pearson says he has six and one-half acres like it, from which he expects a yield of twenty bushels or more per acre. The wheat has especially fine heads, and is the best we have seen this season.

Mr. A. B. Utsey handed us yesterday five Irish potatoes, the combined weight of which is four pounds and five ounces. The largest one of the tubers weighs fifteen ounces. This is no "tater tale." We have them to prove it. Look at them in the Book Store window; if you have any that you think will beat these, bring 'em in.

From reports gathered from different points in Bamberg county it is quite certain that there is a large acreage planted in velvet beans this year in corn. In fact, one gentleman told us that he has seen but few fields of corn in which velvet beans have not been planted. This crop will mean thousands of dollars to Bamberg county this year. It will be largely additional wealth, for this is the first year beans have been planted on a large scale.

Mr. O'Byrnes at St. Johns.

Mrs. J. M. Kinsey is just in receipt of a letter from her brother, Mr. Jesse O'Byrnes, mailed at St. Johns, New Foundland, reading in part as follows:

"We are here to oil and take water. We get out right away; guess we will hit the war zone pretty soon. We passed by where the Titanic was supposed to have gone down; there are certainly some icebergs, some were over a hundred feet high. Guess we will get to where we are going next week some time."

Mr. O'Byrnes is in the navy, and wrote a few days ago that his ship would soon sail for European waters, the precise destination being unknown.

Senator B. R. Tillman, who underwent an operation in an Atlanta hospital last week, is recuperating nicely.

Molton-Patrick Wedding.

Mr. William Clifton Patrick and bride have arrived in the city and are keeping house on Sunnyside avenue Piedmont Park. The following is from the Birmingham Ledger of Tuesday:

"The wedding of Miss Mary Molton and Mr. William Clifton Patrick, of Charlotte, N. C., was a beautiful event of the day, taking place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Forrest Molton, at East Lake.

"The ceremony was performed by Dr. J. M. Shelburne, president of Howard college, at 2:30 o'clock in the presence of a large number of friends of the family.

"The wedding march was played by Mrs. Amelia Molton Embry, piano; Mrs. Thomas Morris, harp, and Mr. Fred Hard, violin, and at the appointed hour the little flower girls, Libbie Morrow and Mary Frances Shelburne, formed an aisle from the stairway to the altar in the bay window in the living room.

"There was a background of white with standards holding baskets of white and pink sweetpeas. Many lighted candles were also used with good effect.

"Miss Annie Molton was her sister's maid of honor and only attendant. She was dressed in white organdie with blue sash and her large leghorn hat was trimmed in pink roses.

"The bride and bridegroom entered together, the bride looking very handsome in her traveling costume of blue cloth with gray hat, gloves and shoes. Her flowers were a combination of white roses and sweetpeas.

"After the ceremony a strawberry frappe was served, the table in the dining room being especially artistic with its decoration of bride roses and sweetpeas in a crystal centerpiece and a pendant cupid showering sweetpeas from the chandelier.

"Mr. and Mrs. Patrick left immediately for their home in Charlotte, N. C., where they will be followed by the best wishes of a host of friends.

"Among the out-of-town guests for the wedding were: Mrs. Sanders, of Roanoke; Mrs. W. F. Hurt, of Louisville; Mrs. Whitfield and Miss Miriam Whitfield, of Brunswick, Ga.—Charlotte Observer.

The many handsome presents bespoke the popularity of the bride and bridegroom.

Registration Day in Bamberg.

Stepping forward as if in one solid rank for the defense of the State and nation, Bamberg's young men of 21 to 31 Tuesday presented themselves for enrollment on the "lists of honor." Nowhere, so far as learned, was there any opposition in Bamberg county to enrolling for service in the nation's war for humanity. In general it was not a day of festivity. The stern necessity of bringing every power to bear in the struggle against Germany has left most people but little time for anything but work. But everywhere there was the spirit of readiness to serve. White and black, rich and poor, they flocked to the registration places, and it is believed that there is but a small proportion now unregistered.

Rev. C. W. Jones Accepts Pastorate.

Pastor J. D. Huggins, of Denmark, writes: "Rev. C. W. Jones, late of Walterboro, has been called to Ghents Branch, Reedy Branch, Mt. Olivet and Spring Town churches recently in field of Rev. Geo. Hopkins. Brother Hopkins goes to Gray Court, Laurens county, to take a field of three churches. Brother Jones will be on his field by June 1st, occupying the Ghents Branch parsonage, Denmark, S. C. Long Branch, another of the churches formerly served by Brother Hopkins, will be served by Rev. W. L. Hays, of Barnwell."—Baptist Courier.

Duncan-Eaves Invitations.

The following invitation has been received in Bamberg by friends of the contracting parties: "Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Carey Duncan request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Louisa Merriman, to Mr. Donald Matheson Eaves on Thursday, the fourteenth of June, Grace Methodist church, Union, South Carolina."

Preparing Corn Products.

The Sun, of New York, last Wednesday printed on its editorial page an article about corn and the ways of preparing meal and other corn products for the table, written by A. W. Brabham, of Olar. The information is presented in a manner that will excite a keen interest in parts of the country where the delights of corn pone, egg bread and a score of other good dishes are unknown. The article is written in a charming style and should be of real service in this time when the food question calls urgently for a sensible answer.—The State.

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CHAINGANG AND JAIL INSPECTED

Charities and Corrections Board Report on County Institutions.

In the Quarterly Bulletin for March, just issued by the State Board of Charities and Corrections, report is made on the Bamberg county chaingangs and the jail, together with recommendations for improvements. The report follows:

Bamberg County Chaingangs.

"1. Mr. J. R. Norris, Foreman. Visited November 6, 1916. Camp about a mile from Ehrhardt.

"Equipment.—For guards a tent with a fly. For convicts two tents horses and white convicts on an iron without flies. Negro convicts sleep on double bed. Blankets and mattresses used for bedding. In good condition. Cooking done in the open over a fire.

"Management.—The county employs a physician on a salary to visit the gang on call. Very sick convicts are sent to jail. Records of convicts kept by foreman meet requirements except no ages are given. Laws requiring reduction of sentence by one-tenth and separation of convicts by races obeyed.

"Convicts.—Number present day of visit—white men, 1; negro men, 29; of whom 1 white man and 5 negroes were "trusties." Convicts must bathe when they start their sentences and once a week while on the gang. (Four convicts bathe in the same tub of water.) Bill of fare for convicts day of visit—breakfast: hominy, fried bacon, cornbread; dinner: peas, boiled bacon, cornbread; supper: hominy, fried bacon, cornbread. Fresh meat (or fish) once a month. Wheat bread once a week. Sewerage is dumped in a pit 50 yards (about) from camp and covered with earth daily. For punishment "trusties" have chains put back on them and chainmen are whipped. The latter punishment is administered by the foreman or guards in camp.

Shower for Miss Rentz.

"2. Mr. S. R. Kennedy, Foreman. Visited November 7, 1916. Camp near Odom's bridge.

"Equipment.—Tent with fly for guards. Tent with fly for convicts. Litter sleep on beds of boards laid over saw-horses. Bedding consists of mattresses, cotton ticks, and blankets. Fairly clean. Cooking done over open fire out of doors.

"Management.—Physician employed on a salary by the county to visit gang on call. Sick convicts usually remain at camp. Records kept by foreman do not show race and ages of convicts committed. Law requiring reduction of sentences for good behavior obeyed. Law directing separation of races on chaingangs observed when convicts are in camp but disregarded when they are at work.

"Convicts.—Number present day of visit—negro men, 19; of whom 6 were "trusties." Bathing requirements—on commitment and once a week while on the gang. (Three convicts bathe in the same tub of water.) Convicts' bill of fare day of visit—breakfast: hominy, fried bacon, syrup, gravy; dinner: peas, cornbread, boiled bacon; supper: hominy, fried bacon, syrup, gravy. No fresh meat. Wheat bread once a week. Sewerage from camp dumped in a pit and covered with earth daily. "Trusties" are shackled and chainmen are whipped. "Trusties" are whipped, too, sometimes.

Recommendations for Gangs.

"Provide weather-proof kitchens, preferably screened cars, and stoves for the gangs. Require the county physician to visit the gangs once a week regularly as well as on call: to vaccinate convicts against smallpox as indicated, and to make a physical examination of all convicts committed unless previously examined while in jail. Keep the race and ages of convicts in the foreman's record.

"On gang 2, obey to the letter the law requiring the separation of the races. Do not permit more than one convict to bathe in the same tub of water. Give the convicts fresh meat (or fish) twice a week and wheat bread once a day. Use kerosene oil and water in the sewerage vessels as a fly repellent. Dig the pits for sewerage at least 150 yards from the sites of the camps. Do not whip convicts."

Bamberg County Jail.

"Visited November 6, 1916. Sheriff S. G. Ray.

"Building and Equipment.—The jail is two stories high built of brick. Has metal roof and wooden floors. On second floor there are five rooms for prisoners, one for white men, one for negro women, two for negro men, and one for insane persons. The ventilation and lighting of the rooms is exceptionally good. Electric light (in hall) and kerosene lamp in room for white men. Heated by stove in hall. Water from 56-foot pump in back yard. Covered agate-ware toilet buckets in each room occupied by prisoners. Two galvanized tubs. One double iron bed in white male prisoners' room, and three "double-deck" iron beds of poor type in each of three rooms for negro prisoners. Bedding consists of mattresses, quilts, and blankets for negroes and whites, with sheets, pillows and pillow cases ad-

Missionary Meeting.

There will be a quarterly meeting of the first division of the Barnwell association held at the Bamberg Baptist church on next Saturday, June 9th, beginning promptly at 11 o'clock. A full attendance from each church in this division is desired. Let each member of our home society feel that it is her duty to attend and take part in this meeting; in serving our Master we should each realize that we have some task to perform. Ladies of other denominations are cordially invited to attend these services. Lunch will be served at the church. The following is the programme for the day:

Song. Devotional exercise, by Mrs. W. L. Hayes. Address of welcome, Mrs. J. F. Carter. Response, Mrs. Claudia Kennedy. Reading minutes of last meeting. Business. Roll call, with the verbal reports from each society. "What are the characteristics of an ideal foreign missionary?" by Miss Louise Maths. Music, choir.

"(1) What can we do in our own lives to strengthen the home base? (2) Is there anything we can do in our own church to further the same end? (3) Is there anything we can do to extend the cause?" By Miss Watson. Reading, Miss Dot Ninestein. "Ideals of Leadership," Mrs. A. W. Knight. "A Sunbeam's Mission," Miss P. Turner. Appointment of committees. Resolutions, time and place of next meeting. Adjournment—lunch. Devotional exercise, Mrs. Cooner. "Our Work Among the Foreigners," Mrs. J. D. Huggins. Discussion, "How May I Manifest Loyalty to My Country," Mesdames Mayfield, Ayer and Hayes. Music, choir. Tithing, Mrs. Storn. Music, solo. "Gaining the Life of Power," Mrs. Counts. Y. W. A. session, Miss Milhous. Report of committees. Adjourn.

Shower for Miss Rentz.

Quite an enjoyable social affair was the miscellaneous shower given in honor of Miss Kate Rentz, the popular and attractive music teacher of the Walterboro high school, by Mrs. David Black, on Tuesday afternoon, announcing the engagement of Miss Rentz to Mr. J. J. Heard, the wedding to take place the latter part of June.

The guests began to assemble at 4:30 o'clock, and were met at the door by Mrs. Black and Miss Jones, who presented them to Miss Rentz, and Misses Black and Ayer, of Bamberg, other guests of the occasion.

Delicious fruit punch was served by Misses Marie Saunders and Edith Black, after which the game of hearts dice was enjoyed for an hour. A sweet course, consisting of ice cream and cake, was served.

The entrance of the "washer woman" with a large basket of "clothes" on her head was of interest to all, when it was discovered that the basket contained a number of gifts for the bride-elect. The cutting of the bride's cake was quite an interesting part of the afternoon's entertainment. Miss Maggie Marvin cut the ring, and Miss Kathleen de Treville the "old maid's thimble."

Miss Rentz, by her charming personality and beautiful traits of character, has endeared herself to each and all of the people of Walterboro, who have had the pleasure of knowing her. It is with a feeling of sincere regret and best wishes that her friends bid her good-bye.—Walterboro Press and Standard.

ed for latter. Sheets and pillow cases washed weekly and blankets monthly. The fire hazard is serious, the wooden floors, type of heating, and kerosene lights all contributing to the danger.

"Management.—A jailer is employed. The quarters of the prisoners and the equipment they use are kept spotlessly clean, a condition for which the management is to be heartily commended, especially since it is handicapped by the lack of running water and modern conveniences in the jail. The records of prisoners committed are not adequate, only their names and date of commitment and discharge are kept. A physician is employed on a salary, but he is required to visit the jail only on call.

"Prisoners.—Average daily population, 4.4. Largest population of record, 5. Prisoners are separated by race and sex, and juveniles are given a room to themselves. Prisoners required to bathe on entrance and weekly thereafter. No employment except cleaning jail. Jailer provides some reading matter. Religious services held twice in last four years. Three meals, good in quality and sufficient in quantity, served daily to all prisoners.

"Improvements Noted.—Electric lights put in jailers' quarters and in hall of prisoners' quarters. Telephone installed for jailer.

Recommendations.

"Connect jail with city water main and put in sewerage connections. Build storeroom for food supplies under stairway. Bring records of prisoners up to requirements."

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