

PERSONAL MENTION.

People Visiting in This City and at Other Points.

—Mr. S. W. Copeland, of Ehrhardt, was in Bamberg Thursday.
 —Mr. I. B. F. Middleton, of Midway, was in the city Saturday.
 —Rev. Walter Black, of Ruffin, was in the city Saturday afternoon.
 —Mr. J. G. Rhoad, of Hunter's Chapel, was in the city Tuesday.
 —Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Rentz, Jr., of Blackville, spent the week-end in the city.
 —Mr. and Mrs. Hebron Berry, of Branchville, visited relatives in the city Sunday.
 —J. Ham Kirkland, Esq., of Olar, was among the visitors in the city Friday afternoon.
 —Mrs. J. F. Kilgus left yesterday for Anderson, where she will visit relatives for some time.
 —Rev. and Mrs. P. K. Rhoad, of Providence, were visitors in the city to relatives last week.
 —Mrs. Frances Folk has returned home from a visit of several weeks to relatives at Providence.
 —Mr. Francis T. Rice, of the University of South Carolina, spent a while at home last week.
 —Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Berry, of Branchville, visited relatives in the city Saturday and Sunday.
 —Miss Elvie Kearshe is in Atlanta getting new ideas about spring millinery for LaVerne Thomas & Co.
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WAR TO BE WON IN AIR.
 United States Should Have a Fleet By Spring.

"The big need in France is for airplanes and for airplanes quick. Everybody over there asks when they are coming and how many. This country ought to have a fleet of fighting planes in the air by spring." This is the opinion of Major Robert W. Wood, the eminent physicist who was sent abroad in September by the United States government at the invitation of the French government to study scientific problems connected with the conduct of the war. Major Wood returned last week and for the present will devote his time to work in this country.

"It is not possible to emphasize this fact too strongly," continued Major Wood. "I believe the war will be won in the air and that in the future offensive tactics will play as great a part as the work of observation, but I am not at liberty to speak of these matters."

"One thing about which much popular misapprehension exists, however, is fighting in the air. People imagining that airplane duels are everyday occurrences. As a matter of fact, they are comparatively rare. Planes are more apt to avoid each other than to fight. Most of the shelling is done by anti-aircraft guns and when air fights take place they are usually so high up as to be invisible to observers on the ground."

Officers' Experience.
 "I saw an artillery officer who had been on the front for many months and had never seen a fight in the air. When I was outside Nancy one afternoon, just at sunset, I saw a Boche plane come over. It was up in the region where there was still sunlight, and the puffs of smoke from the shells fired by the anti-aircraft guns were turned to rose color by the glow. I counted 120 of them, but the Boche made his get-away."

"The effects of the torpedoes dropped from the Gothas are extraordinary. They go straight down through a seven-story building to the basement, where they explode with a time fuse. Any house that has been hit in this manner acts as an explosive. At Nancy I saw a house that had been struck, and the fragments of it had wrecked every house in the square on which it stood."
 "The anti-aircraft guns are marvelous in their range and comparative accuracy. At St. Clement I saw a Zeppelin that had been brought down from 16,000 feet by an anti-aircraft shell. Of course the Zeppelins move more slowly and make much better targets than airplanes. This particular Zeppelin had just

been brought down and it was still burning. Most of the crew had been carried away, but I saw a hand sticking out from one end. It was a gruesome sight."

When asked to tell what were just most unforgettable experiences, Major Wood said that two stood out in his memory—a night bombardment by airplanes at Nancy and a day at the British front. He continued, "On our trip to the front we drove in a luxurious limousine down a corduroy road with nine-inch howitzers on both sides firing over our heads. After we had gone as far as we could we put on steel helmets and gas masks and walked the rest of the way. We did not strike any gas, but the new gases are pretty bad. They are not gases properly speaking, but liquids, that evaporate slowly and give off fumes."

Major Wood refused to define the exact nature of the scientific problems that physicists are called upon to solve.

Carrier Pigeon's Value.
 "In a general way I may say that some of them consist in devising means of locating batteries and methods of signalling," he said. "It is curious, though, that with all our scientific devices carrier pigeons have been found most effective after all in carrying messages to and from the front lines."

"I heard a remarkable story about one of these pigeons. It had been struck by a shell splinter and its leg driven up into its body in such a way

that the dispatch was carried with it. In spite of being desperately wounded the bird flew all the way home and dropped dead inside the home cote."

According to Major Wood, America is not the only nation that is burdened with red tape. "When I was in France I wanted a certain chemical for an important test, and I had to have it immediately. A request through official channel brought the information that Prof. _____ had some of what I wanted, but that it would take a month to get it as the request had to be referred to several authorities."

"I'll ask him myself," I said. I was assured that it was not in regle and couldn't be done, but I didn't see it that way. I called on the professor myself and left the laboratory with all he had in my pocket. So it is sometimes possible to cut red tape."

"Another thing struck me in France," he continued. "The war has not speeded up certain things in France. They still take two hours for lunch. All the laboratories are locked up between 12 and 2 and if the custodian lets you in between these hours it is under protest. They have borrowed our poster, 'There are six men killed every minute. Don't waste that many.' I always wanted to write underneath it, 'How about those two hours at lunch?'"—Ex.

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IN MEMORIAM.

Our beloved brother, J. Hansford Fender, departed to be with Christ on the morning of Jan. 23, 1918. Interment was in the Hunter's Chapel cemetery on the following day. The esteem of a host of friends was indicated by an unusual array of floral tributes.

He joined the church at Hunter's Chapel early in life, and later was elected deacon which office he held until his home going.

His life, both private and public, was a model worthy of imitation. All who knew him, respected, admired and loved him. And he was worthy. Indeed, he was one of the truly great men in the Baptist ranks in South Carolina and one of this State's best citizens.

He loved the Lord and was devoted to His cause; serving in love and humility, and like his Master, willing not to be known. It was hard indeed, to give him up. The separation brought pain and deep sorrow to a multitude of hearts.

Now that he has gone from us we can best commemorate his memory by resolving to carry on the work that he so much loved, with renewed zeal. Therefore, be it

Resolved, first; That we recognize the sovereign right of God to call unto Himself one of His children, and that by His grace we bow in humble submission to His will.

That in him the Hunter's Chapel church loses one of her most useful, influential and efficient members; the denomination one of its most loyal and faithful supporters; the community and State one of their purest and best citizens; the family an ideal and loving husband and father.

That we feel deeply our loss, and realize how greatly this man of God, who was so unselfishly devoted to his family, friends and Christ's cause, shall be missed.

That expressions of sympathy and warm Christian love be extended to the bereaved family.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, the Baptist Courier, and the county papers for publication.

D. O. HUNTER,
 A. W. HUNTER,
 G. W. HUNTER,
 J. L. HERNDON,
 D. H. OWINGS,
 Committee.

Just Arrived

I will receive this (Thursday) morning another load of Fine Young Mules direct from the West. If you are going to buy a mule you should see this lot, as there are some extra nice ones in the drove. As it is getting late in the season, I am offering these mules at a very close price, and am sure I can satisfy you, both in quality and price. Also some extra nice buggies and harness on hand at the right prices.

J. J. SMOAK

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