

The Bamberg Herald

Thursday, March 7, 1918.

Mr. John H. Cope, who has been very ill, is considerably improved, his friends will be glad to know.

The friends of Mr. Wesley Stokes, who has been very ill with pneumonia, are glad to see him out again.

Messrs. G. Frank Bamberg and J. D. Copeland, Jr., were drawn as jurors for the session of the federal court in Florence this week.

Mr. C. R. Peebles, of Olar, has accepted a position with Rizer & Ayer as bookkeeper. Mr. Peebles takes the place of Mr. Clayton.—Walterboro Press and Standard.

Much needed showers fell in this section Tuesday. Contrary to general expectations the spring rains have not yet set in, and the ground was very dry previous to the rains Tuesday.

Lieut. A. S. Weekley, army medical corps, is now in Chicago taking a course in surgery. The course will be completed, probably, within the next few days, when Dr. Weekley will doubtless be assigned to duty abroad.

Contractor W. J. Nichols has completed the work of replacing the concrete steps on the Baptist church building. A new design of steps was used, making the entrance of the church much more attractive than formerly.

The friends of Mr. E. D. Sandifer will be interested to know that he sailed some time recently for Europe. Mr. Sandifer is in the navy, on board one of Uncle Sam's large battleships, and he is now "somewhere" in European waters.

Mrs. J. F. Carter and Mrs. B. D. Carter will entertain the Francis M. Bamberg chapter, U. D. C., at the home of Mrs. B. D. Carter at 4 o'clock p. m., on the 12th inst. The members are asked to remember to bring their annual dues. A large attendance is requested.

Mr. John W. Folk, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Folk, left Bamberg on Thursday for Charleston. Mr. Folk enlisted in the naval reserve forces some time ago, and was accepted. He was ordered to report in Charleston Thursday last. Bamberg is represented by a large number of young men in the navy.

A large number of new subscribers have been added to The Herald's subscription lists this week. If you are not a subscriber, but happen to receive one of this week's issues, we suggest that you forward us today one-fifty so you can secure the first installment of "Over the Top," which will begin next week.

March came in like a lamb, as the old saying goes. March first was the warmest day of the season so far, and many gardeners could be seen over town planting vegetables. According to the legend, if March comes in like a lamb it goes out like a lion, but here's hoping that part of the old forecast will not come true.

William Patrick, young son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Patrick, was operated on a few days ago. The young man recently suffered an attack of pneumonia, and afterward with an internal abscess. The operation was successful, and he is now doing well. Mrs. W. H. Patrick, who has also been suffering from pneumonia, is improving rapidly.

In another column will be found an account of memorial exercises held at Kingtree for the late Carlisle Myrick. This will be of much interest locally, as Mr. Myrick spent many years in this section, being raised by Mr. C. A. Milhouse, of Bamberg, R. F. D., who was an uncle of the young man who gave his life for his country on French soil.

The ministers of the county were asked to talk on the war situation last Sunday in the churches of the county. In accordance with this request many of the pastors presented facts and figures accumulated by the government to their various congregations. This request was made by the county council of defense at the meeting held here last Thursday.

Lieut. C. L. Etheredge, a former Bamberg citizen who some time since earned his commission in the army, is now stationed at the four-wheel Dixie Truck plant at Clintonville, Wis., giving and taking instruction on the care and operation of trucks. He will probably be at this place for several weeks to come, when he will doubtless be transferred to some Southern camp for the same work.

The store being built for Mr. D. A. Reid by Mr. J. H. Murphy on Main street is nearing completion, and Mr. Reid will soon occupy the building. This will be one of the nicest stores in Bamberg, being provided with a plate glass front, attractive display windows, and solid glass door. Mr. Reid expects to install new and attractive fixtures, giving Bamberg an up-to-date jewelry establishment.

The friends of Mr. W. M. Brabham are glad to see him back from the hospital. Mr. Brabham has for several weeks been confined to the Johns Hopkins hospital, Baltimore, for treatment. He is much better now, and his friends hope to see him entirely well again soon.

Rev. R. S. Truesdale, of Sumter, last week conducted a revival meeting at Carlisle school, in the school auditorium. Much interest was taken in the meeting by the students and faculty, and it is felt that much good was accomplished. The meetings were well attended by the students and the public generally.

The following changes have been made in the field day programme: Spelling has been added to class A, and the graded school or lower grade recitation contest has been changed to Friday morning, April 12, at 10 o'clock. Class A mental contest will begin at 10 o'clock Friday morning, but classes B and C will begin at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Clyde Padgett, who volunteered for service in the army some months ago, was in the city Sunday. Mr. Padgett was for some time stationed with the national army forces at Camp Sevier. A few weeks ago he was one of a few selected for special service abroad, and was sent to Camp Greene, Charlotte, for special training. As this training has now been completed, Mr. Padgett expects to be sent across at an early date. In fact, his visit home was for the purpose of telling his relatives and friends good-bye, as he is likely to leave any day.

Bamberg Badly Behind.

In the report on the progress of the war savings stamps sale recently issued, Bamberg comes very near to being the last county on the list both in point of volume of sales and the sales per capita. The sales for the first three months amounted to just one per cent. per capita of population, being one of two counties in this class, and lacks just one county of being at the bottom of the list in volume of sales.

The total sales in the county to February 23, 1918, amounted to \$545.75. Lancaster goes Bamberg one worse and occupies the distinction of being the lowest county on the list in both respects. This is not an enviable position for Bamberg to occupy, and it is expected that plans will be laid at once to get busy. This is the popular method of raising money, and every family in the county should have one or more persons buying and saving war stamps, which costs only 25 cents each.

Concluding Examinations.

The local medical examining board has been busy this week completing the physical examination of the men in class one. About 150 men were examined this week by the doctors of the county who are members of the medical examining board. There are yet a few delayed examinations to be conducted, and the work on class one will be completed.

The physicians of the county have contributed a large amount of their time to this patriotic work, and should be highly commended. Many of them had to leave urgent private practice to undertake the work for the government.

The present plans for the national army does not contemplate the calling any time in the near future of any others but those in class one. Numbers of cases from this county have been appealed to the district board, which has not completed its work of reviewing these questionnaires. The county will have available a large number of young men, both white and colored, for military service when the next call is made. Governor Manning is quoted as saying that it is not probable that any further calls will be made before May.

Four Are Turned Down.

Of the ninety-one colored drafted men sent to Camp Jackson on February 23, four were turned down on physical examination at the camp. This is an excellent record for the local examining board, and shows that the men are pretty thoroughly examined before they are accepted. The vacancies in the contingent caused by these failures will be filled by the four men next in line of draft. Names of the four men turned down follow:

Robert Brinson, Elijah Toomer, Pinkney Galashaw, and Willie Easterling.

Under the present rules for physical examination, which are much more flexible than under the examinations last fall, very few men fail to meet the tests. However, every man is given a thorough examination, and while large numbers have been turned down from other counties, the Bamberg men stand the final examination well.

CUNCIL OF DEFENSE MEETS.

Address by John H. Cooper, Esq., of Columbia, of Much Interest.

The Bamberg county council of defense held a meeting Thursday morning at the court house, at which the council was reorganized, and a campaign of publicity was planned. An interesting and instructive feature of the meeting was an address by John H. Cooper, Esq., of Columbia, who was sent to Bamberg by the State council of defense. Mr. Cooper brought a most important message, and his address impressed his hearers very much with the heavy responsibility that is resting on the people at home.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Mr. J. C. Guilds, and opened with prayer by Rev. J. D. Huggins, of Denmark. The first business before the meeting was the reorganization of the council of defense. The following is the personnel of the council as reorganized:

County chairman, J. C. Guilds; county secretary, R. M. Hitt. Bamberg—C. W. Rentz, chairman; W. D. Rowell, B. D. Carter, Dr. Robert Black, J. J. Heard, A. W. Knight, Mrs. C. E. Black, Mrs. John H. Cope, W. D. Rhoad, J. H. Cope, C. R. Brabham, Jr., Dr. J. J. Cleckley, Dr. G. F. Hair, Mrs. A. W. Knight, Rev. Geo. P. White, Rev. R. H. Jones. Govan—McP. Eubanks, chairman; J. B. Browning, S. S. Williams.

Olar—W. R. Chitty, chairman; Dr. L. A. Hartzog, Rev. Achille Sassard, C. F. Rizer.

Hunter's Chapel—N. H. Fender, chairman; J. G. Rhoad, Dr. S. P. Rentz.

Midway—J. P. O'Quinn, chairman; J. W. Hill, G. W. Folk, E. M. Zeigler, B. D. Donald.

Ehrhardt—W. D. Bennett, chairman; Rev. C. S. Felder, S. W. Copeland, Dr. J. L. Copeland, Dr. J. H. Roberts, Dr. M. S. Fender, J. M. Kirkland, Rev. D. H. Owings, J. H. A. Carter, W. Max Walker, W. Maunie Rentz.

Kearse—H. Angus Kearse, chairman; W. H. Ritter, L. M. Ayer.

Colston—H. J. A. McMillan, chairman; Joe Beard, G. W. Kearse, Calvin F. Padgett.

Embree—D. A. Gardner, chairman; Sam Broughton, Mr. Herbert.

Denmark—Rev. J. D. Huggins, chairman; J. W. Crum, Jr., secretary; Rev. C. W. Jones, M. K. Zorn, J. D. Turner, E. A. Collins, N. W. Sojourner, D. E. Neeley, E. A. Hartzog, R. F. Lee, W. L. Riley, Capt. P. L. Bean.

Immediately after the meeting, the community chairmen met and formulated plans for a campaign throughout the county in the interest of raising more food crops this year.

The county chairman made a plea that liberal response be made to the various demands being made upon the people for the proper prosecution of the war. The buying of thrift and savings stamps was urged upon the people as a duty and a privilege. The matter of securing workmen for the shipbuilding programme was also mentioned by the chairman. He stated that he had secured the applications of a number of persons in the county to serve the country in this respect.

Mr. Cooper spoke for an hour, and while he made no attempt at oratory, he made a most instructive address and gave a lot of information about the war that was unknown to many of the council members. Mr. Cooper was sent out by the State council of defense in an effort to arouse the planters to raise more food crops, the lack of which may prove a serious hindrance to the war aims of the United States. He pleaded with the people to feed not only themselves but feed our allies, on whom the burden of fighting now rests.

The presence of a number of colored people at the meeting was highly commended by the speaker, who said that their help is needed. They have always cooperated in all great causes and will fall in line in this one, he said.

Mr. Cooper spent a good part of his time in telling of conditions in Germany, of the organization and methods of the German government, showing the manner of enemy we have to fight, and compared that government with our own, contrasting the two. Showing the absolutism of the German government, he said that there are three classes there: The nobility, the wealthy and the poor people. The election machinery is so arranged that in some instances one vote of a very influential man counts as many as 10,000 of the poor man. The power of declaring war and stating its aims is absolute with the kaiser. In this war he elected to call it a war of defense, although it was prearranged years ago. He discussed at some length the cause of America's entry into the war, and told what the result will be if we lose. What has happened to Belgium, Poland, Serbia and Roumania would happen to us.

Concerning the present status of the war, the speaker said that Germany has now a bigger, better equipped army than ever before, and has added to her former resources all of the conquered territory. He also told of how the government there has for years been taking a portion of the crops every year and storing them away for use in such an emergency as the present. Regarding our own progress in war preparation, he said that it was expected the first year 60 per cent. of the needed vessels would be built; as a matter of fact, only 17 per cent. can be launched.

NEGRO RACE CONFERENCE.

For Southeastern and Western Carolina to Be Held at Bamberg.

The Rev. Richard Carroll, president of the South Carolina Negro Race conference, which he organized fourteen years ago for the purpose of encouraging the colored people along industrial lines and for better and more helpful relations between the two races in South Carolina, will hold a meeting in Bamberg Friday, March 15th. Other meetings were scheduled to be held in Charleston and Beaufort, but they have been called off. The only meeting to be held in the southeastern section will be held at Bamberg. We hope that the white citizens who are readers of this journal will notify the best thinking colored men to attend this meeting. The defense council and food administration, presided over by Mr. D. R. Coker and Mr. William Elliott, will be present or send a representative. R. W. Westberry, of Sumter, who is at the head of the negro food administration, will give an address at 10:30 a. m. The white people are cordially invited to the meeting also. Rev. W. W. Chappelle, of Bamberg, is chairman of the local committee. For further information write Rev. Richard Carroll, president Negro Race conference, Columbia, S. C.

Telling Negroes of War Work.

Rev. H. H. Matthews, of Bamberg, a colored preacher, is very enthusiastic in war work, and he is doing his part in carrying the message of the war to his people. Sunday he addressed a crowd estimated at about eight or nine hundred at Union Baptist church, in this county. He presented the war problems in a convincing manner. A number of other leading colored men in the county are up and doing, and employing every opportunity to plead with the colored people to do their part in raising food to win the war.

The colored people generally are taking much interest in the war work. A colored branch of the council of defense is being organized to carry on the work among the colored people, with Rev. Matthews at the head. He says the colored people can be depended on to do their part if they are informed on the subject, and he and other prominent negroes are doing what they can to inform them.

No Court Next Week.

As the business of the court will be concluded this week, there will be no court next week, and the jurors drawn for next week are notified not to come, as they will not be needed.

In regard to the food situation, which concerns the authorities most just now, he said that even in normal times our European allies cannot feed themselves. Added to this, more food is consumed during war than in peace, and he urged in a most convincing manner the necessity for preparations to be made at once to increase the food supply.

Altogether Mr. Cooper did not paint a very optimistic picture of the situation, and he urged the people to arouse themselves to the real conditions that are prevailing. As food is the great factor at present, the people who are selected by Uncle Sam to stay at home must shoulder the burden and responsibility of producing the food. The present condition of the food supply he attributed to the fact that the people are not yet fully aware that the war is on. They know it in a general way, and they will know it in a more harrowing manner later, but much of the horror of war may be averted by meeting the present crisis. Great Britain and France and Italy are fighting our battles, and they cannot hold out unless America supplies them food. Our failure to feed them and cooperate with them with men, money and supplies might mean their defeat. In this eventuality it will mean that we shall have to fight the Germans in America singlehanded.

One statement of the speaker was of especial interest: He said that there is reason to believe that Germany long years ago planned the conquest of America, and that the landing point, it is indicated, would be along the coast of South Carolina, in which case we would be directly in the path of the invaders.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

City Divided Into Five Wards by the Department.

Bamberg's fire department has lately been busy working out a system of fire alarm signals and dividing the city into wards. A fire whistle has lately been secured and installed at the power house. The fire department requests that when a fire occurs the telephone central office be called and notified. It is unnecessary to give any alarm except calling central and stating as near as possible the location of the fire, that is whose house it is, and on what street located. Central will turn in the correct alarm.

The town has been divided into five wards for the purposes of the fire department. Under the system gotten up by the department, the alarms should prevent confusion not only on the part of members of the fire fighting force, but of the public as well.

The following are the ward divisions of the city:

Ward 1—Main street from the Southern railway to the cotton mill.

Ward 2—West of Church street and north of Elm street.

Ward 3—East of Church street and north on Railroad avenue.

Ward 4—South on Railroad avenue and Elm street and east of Main street.

Ward 5—South of Elm street and west of Main street.

The signals are as follows: Short sounds for a general signal, followed by one long sound for ward 1, two sounds for ward 2, three sounds for ward 3, and so on. The signal for the ward will be followed by short blasts as a general alarm, and again followed by the signal for the ward. It might be stated that this system is rather in the nature of an experiment and it may be found after use to be necessary to make changes, but all of this is being worked out by the department and will be perfected as soon as possible. The fire department is working hard to be of real service to the city and the co-operation of the citizens is asked. The equipment at present is limited, but the best will be made of what they have. The team meets every Tues-

VERDICT FOR \$15,000.

S. A. L. Heavily Taxed for Death of Soldier Boy.

A verdict for \$15,000 damages was rendered against the Seaboard Air Line Railway company on Tuesday afternoon, in the case of M. D. Robinson against the railroad, for the killing by the railroad of Private Willie Robinson last fall at the Schofield bridge over the Salkehatchie river.

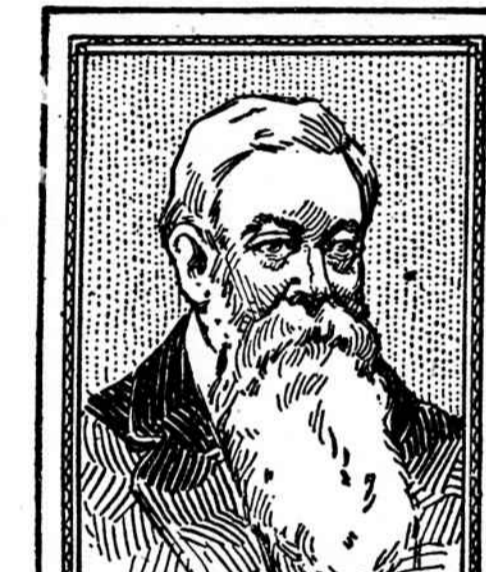
Private Robinson was a member of a Spartanburg company of the national guard of this State, and while stationed at Denmark last fall had been sent to Schofield to do guard duty at the Seaboard bridge. During the night he was killed, as alleged, by train No. 3, from Savannah to Columbia. The engineer and train crew testified that they knew nothing of the alleged killing of Robinson until informed the next morning, after the body of the young man had been by the side of the railroad. The contention of the plaintiff was that the defendant's train was without a proper headlight, and that the death of the young man was the result of negligence and recklessness on the part of the defendant.

The jury rendered a verdict for \$10,000 actual and \$5,000 punitive damages. Private Robinson was 18 years of age. Notice of intention to appeal has been made.

At the conclusion of this case the court called the case of Herbert G. Dyches against S. Ben Black, which involves the boundary line between two plantations in the county. The piece of land in dispute is said to be about a half or three-fourths of an acre. The court was still occupied with this case yesterday afternoon.

day afternoon at 6:30 for practice. The following is the personnel of the fire department:

Chief—W. D. Rhoad. Captains—H. L. Hinnant and D. W. Phillips. Secretary—A. E. Utsey. Members—M. G. Cooner, Robert Delk, M. G. Dunn, Eddie Jackson, J. B. Brickley, Will Brabham, Parker Jennings, R. M. Rowell, A. L. Edwins, and Bart Jordan.



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