

PERSONAL MENTION.

People Visiting in This City and at Other Points.

—Mr. and Mrs. John H. Cope spent Tuesday in Columbia.

—Miss Mary Mellett spent the week-end in Branchville with friends.

—Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Herndon, of Ehrhardt, were in the city on Monday.

—W. D. Bennett, Esq., of Ehrhardt, was a visitor in the city Monday.

—Mrs. W. Z. Ayer is visiting relatives at Olar.—Walterboro Press and Standard.

—Mr. Paul J. Zeigler, of Camp Jackson, spent a few days in the city this week.

—Mr. and Mrs. M. Zorn spent the week-end in Blackville with Mr. Zorn's parents.

—Mrs. A. L. Edwins, has returned to the city after spending a few days in Charleston.

—Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Hoover and children, of Hampton, spent Sunday in the city with relatives.

—Misses Bernice and Carrie Simmons spent the last week-end in Blackville with Mrs. R. A. Ayer.

—Mr. and Mrs. Philip Carns left Sunday for Washington, where they will spend a few days with relatives.

—Messrs. D. J. Delk, W. D. Rhoad and A. B. Utsey are attending the district Methodist conference at Cameron.

—Mrs. Prentiss Griffin, of Ehrhardt, is in Walterboro visiting relatives.—Walterboro Press and Standard.

—Mrs. Donald M. Eaves, after a visit in the city to Mr. and Mrs. D. Dowling, returned to her home at Union last Friday.

—Prof. J. C. Guilds left Monday morning for Mount Pleasant. He is spending this week on a speaking tour in the lower part of the State.

—Private Luke Bellinger, of Camp Sevier, is spending a few days at home. Mr. Bellinger was one of the first selected men from this county.

—Miss Urma Black returned on Sunday afternoon from Greenwood, where she has been spending a few weeks with Col. and Mrs. F. N. K. Bailey.

—S. G. Mayfield, Esq., returned this week from an extended trip through the West. Mr. Mayfield spent a considerable portion of the past two and a half months in California.

—Miss Estelle Toole, of Denmark, is spending the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Toole, and has as her guest Miss Annie Herbert, also of Denmark.—Aiken Journal and Review.

—Mrs. R. W. Faust and Mrs. F. V. James, attended the council of defense conference in Columbia on Tuesday. Dr. Anna Howard Shaw addressed the conference at the Jefferson hotel and also spoke at the Columbia theatre in the evening.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Rainey, of Beaufort, motored to Bamberg Sunday. Mrs. Rainey and children are spending a few days in Bamberg, while Mr. Rainey has gone on to Atlanta. He will return in a few days, and Mrs. Rainey will accompany him home.

—Mr. Ola J. Zeigler has completed training at the reserve officers' training camp at Chattanooga, and is spending some time at home in the county. No commissions have been awarded to any of the applicants yet, but Mr. Zeigler has been recommended for a commission.

COUNTY INSTITUTIONS.

Report of Inspection by State Board of Charities and Corrections.

Following is the report of the State Board of Charities and Corrections of inspection recently made of the Bamberg county chain gang and the county jail:

Report of Bamberg Co. Chaingang.

Mr. J. R. Morris, foreman. Visited April 4, 1918, by Assistant Secretary Broyles. Gang camped on Hunter's Chapel road, just outside of Bamberg, working the Ehrhardt road about a mile out of town. Convicts present, 24 negro men, 1 white man, of whom 5 are trustees, the white man being a guard over the negro prisoners. The average daily population on the Bamberg gang for the past two and a half years has been 43, but recently the two gangs have been consolidated because the number of prisoners has fallen far below that number.

Conditions at this camp are bad, especially as regards sanitary matters. We found the pit, into which sewerage is dumped daily, located approximately 25 yards from the prisoners' sleeping quarters, and the slop from the cooking was in an open barrel in the middle of the camp. Within three yards of where the cooking is done, a shallow pit has been dug, and into this the dish water and other thin slop is poured, and left uncovered to serve as a breeding place for flies. The barrel in which water is hauled from the oil mill half a mile distant was standing open, and many tubs and basins in camp were half full of dirty water, which had been standing there since morn-

ing, though we inspected the camp in the afternoon. Finally, the foreman allows three men to bathe in the same water. On inspection of this gang last year pretty much the same conditions were found, and detailed recommendations were made to the foreman regarding proper sanitation, but practically nothing has been done to remedy the evils. With so little attention paid to hygienic laws on the gang, the county is lucky in having escaped an epidemic of fever among the prisoners. We repeat our recommendations in this report to both the commissioners and the foreman.

Recommendations to the Supervisor and Foreman.

Buy a stove for the camp, and provide a shelter for cooking, either a good tent, a portable house or a car, and have it screened to keep away flies. In a suitable hook in the Supervisor's office, keep a record of the men on the gang showing name, age, race, date committed, length of sentence, date discharged, whether a trustee or has a family, and the reason for discharge—that is, whether served sentence, paid fine, escaped, etc. Finally, obey the law which requires one-tenth off for good behaviour where the sentence is longer than six months.

Recommendations to the Foreman.

Have the blankets washed regularly once a month. Have the kitchen utensils cleaned thoroughly, and make the cook keep them clean hereafter. Keep the water barrel tightly covered at all times. Dig the sewerage pit at least 150 yards from the camp, and 100 yards from the water supply, and when the buckets are emptied into it, or when the men use it, have the waste covered immediately with at least three inches of dirt. Burn this pit out at least weekly with straw and oil. Have the manure from the mule pen raked up daily, and hauled away from camp every week. Keep the kitchen refuse barrel covered always, sprinkle lime around it frequently, and do not allow the cook to pour slops into the pit in the middle of camp. Never allow more than one man to use the same water in bathing. The practice of allowing several men to use the same water has been stopped by most foremen, and should be stopped by all, since the custom is dirty and filthy, besides being liable to spread disease which the prisoners may have unknown to the foreman.

State Board of Charities and Corrections, Columbia, S. C., April 4, 1918. Bamberg county chaingang, J. R. Morris, Foreman.

I. Co. Com. and Chaingang: SCORES

Possible Actual

1. The Camp and its Equipment:

(1) Guards' quarters 25 21

(2) Convicts' quarters 105 62

(3) Kitchen 50 15

(4) Storeroom 15 15

(5) Stock adequately sheltered 5 3

2. Convicts

(1) Medical attention 65 13

(2) Records of convicts 30 0

(3) Convicts' food and feeding 70 50

(4) Classification as required by law 60 60

(5) Ten per cent. off for good conduct 50 42

3. Miscellaneous 25 4

(Total score under sec. I) 500 285

II. Foreman's Management: Methods and Results:

1. Camp and Equipment: Conditions:

(1) Camp grounds 10 8

(2) Guards' quarters 10 9

(3) Convicts' quarters 80 59

(4) Kitchen and equipment 15 10

(5) Storeroom 10 10

(6) Stock 5 5

2. Camp sanitation

(1) Water supply; source unsuspicious 30 10

(2) Disposal of sewerage 50 33

(3) Disposal of manure 30 0

(4) Disposal of kitchen refuse 10 3

3. Convicts

(1) Personal hygiene 75 58

(2) Discipline 150 112

(3) Records 25 13

(Total under Sec. II) 500 330

Complete score on this chaingang 1000 615

Report on Bamberg County Jail.

Mr. Edgar Dickinson, jailer; Mrs. Dickinson really in charge. Visited April 4, 1918, by Assistant Secretary Broyles. Inmates present day of inspection, 3 white males, 3 negro males, 1 negro female child, age 13; total 7. The average daily population in this jail for the past two and a half years has been approximately 2.5.

Since our last inspection, the jailer has begun to keep an excellent set of records of the prisoners. The sheriff should keep a duplicate of the jailer's book and entries in his office. When the jail was visited, it was spotlessly clean, and from the appearance of the premises we judge that it is kept that way by the capable matron, Mrs. Dickinson. On the section of our report devoted to "Conditions in Prisoner's Quarters" she secures the highest possible score, 70 points out of a possible 70; and out of a possible 400 points awarded to "Management" in our system of scoring she gets 360.

It is a pity that the Commissioners do not take the same pride in their building that the matron takes in running it, but we regret to say that our recommendations to them in the past have met little response. We repeat those of last year, and again recommend that the Commissioners have the walls of the jailer's residence calcimined, have the jail kitchen painted, especially the ceiling, and paint the inside of the jail proper, first scraping off the whitewash now on the walls. The planking used in the jail is dressed lumber, and therefore will not hold whitewash well. We further recommend that the commissioners pay the county physician a salary for, and require him to, make a physical examination of each prisoner committed to the jail within 12 hours, vaccinate against small-pox when indicated, and make weekly inspection of the prisoners' food and quarters.

We recommend that the jailer ar-

range to give the negroes as well as the whites clean blankets when admitted to the jail. On account of the negro's natural carelessness about disease, probably it is more important to take precautions with them than with the white prisoners. Because the little negro girl will not profit by too much conversation with the other prisoners, we recommend that she be shut up in her own room when there are other prisoners in the jail, instead of being allowed to have the freedom of the hall, from which she can see into every room, and talk to all other prisoners in the quarters.

State Board of Charities and Corrections, Columbia, S. C., April 4, 1918. Score card report of Bamberg county jail.

SCORES

Possible Actual

1. Jail Plant: Permanent Features:

1. Location 15 15

2. Separation of prisoners' quarters from jailer's residence 10 0

3. Prisoners' quarters: (1) Fire hazard 45 14

(2) Ventilation 70 62

(3) Facilities for classification 100 65

(4) Sanitary facilities 100 34

(5) Cell facilities and type 60 55

(Total score under Sec. I) 400 245

II. Sheriff's Management: Methods and Results:

1. Jailer's general duties 50 34

2. Records of prisoners 30 27

3. Prisoners' quarters: conditions 70 70

4. Classification of prisoners 80 70

5. Personal hygiene of prisoners 80 70

6. Prisoners' food and feeding 65 64

7. Discipline and occupation of prisoners 25 25

(Total score under Sec. II) 400 360

III. County Commissioners and the Jail:

1. Jail's equipment and repair 110 78

2. Medical service for prisoners 80 13

3. Financial management 10 6

(Total score under Sec. III) 200 91

Complete score on this jail 1000 696

All airplanes manufactured in the United States for the Army and Navy will bear a red, white and blue bullseye of three concentric circles, similar to the insignia of allied planes, of the wings, and vertical red, white, and blue stripes on the rudders. These markings were adopted by the joint Army and Navy Technical Aircraft board and approved by the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy.

Estate of Henry George Smith, Dec'd.

Smith, aged 37, drowned with his wife. Left 3 children—all boys—and estate of \$80,000. No other relatives. Court named a guardian, a stranger, and Trustee of Estate, also stranger. As boys came of age their shares were paid them. No trust estate to protect them during their early years of business ignorance. One boy was swindled by a land schemer; dropped his all. Another boy "blew" his for fast living. The last lost on Wall street his share. All could have been avoided by a Trust estate protecting the boys until they had learned the value of money. May we tell you why this could not happen to any Estate where we are the Executor? We will be glad to advise you without charge. All consultations strictly confidential.

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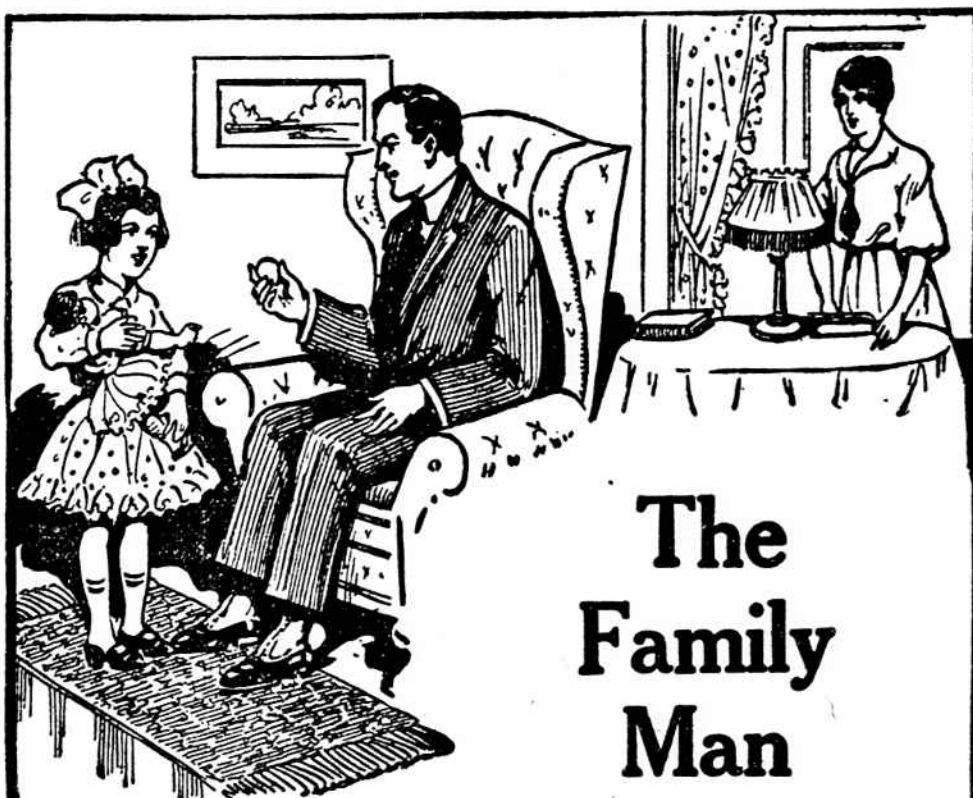
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