

The Bamberg Herald Thursday, Feb. 20, 1919.

SHORT LOCALS.

Brief Items of Interest Throughout the Town and County.

Gerard Nimmons, a brother of J. A. Nimmons, of this place, died a few days ago en route from France to America. He was returning home from overseas duty when he became ill with fatal results. A telegram was received in Bamberg to this effect Friday.

Med Fields, an old time subscriber to The Herald, was in the office Monday to renew his subscription. Med has been a subscriber to this paper for long years, and he says he can't do without it. Like a wise man, he renewed before the expiration, so that he would be sure not to miss any copies.

News of Branchville.

Branchville, Feb. 15.—Mrs. J. B. Henderson has returned from a visit to New York and Boston.

Aubrey Baxter and J. C. Pooser, of Charleston, spent the week-end here.

Miss Ruth Byrd has returned from a visit to Augusta, Ga.

Little Miss Caroline Izlar of Augusta, Ga., spent last week-end here with her grandmother, Mrs. C. E. Byrd.

Clair Floyd, of Lexington, was on a visit here to his aunt, Mrs. H. H. Franklin, during the past week.

Miss Mary Cottingham is spending the week-end in Columbia.

P. C. Dukes has returned from a visit to New York.

Mrs. E. C. McHonaker and Miss Myrtle McHonaker are visiting relatives in Florida.

Mrs. Dennis Alford has returned from a visit to Mrs. A. L. Edwins in Bamberg.

Mrs. A. B. Robinson of Charleston, is spending some time with Mrs. K. C. Greer.

Mrs. E. F. Cabell is spending some time with relatives in Nashville, Tenn.

CHAMP CLARK COMING.

Will Speak at Olar on Monday, March 10th.

Champ Clark, speaker of the United States house of representatives, will speak at Olar on Monday, March 10. This will be the first visit of this national figure to this section of the country, and doubtless a large number of visitors from different parts of the State will avail themselves of the privilege of hearing him.

This will be quite an event for Bamberg county. It is very seldom, indeed, that a figure of such national importance visits a small community and the people of Olar are to be congratulated upon securing the speaker for this occasion.

It has been arranged for Governor Cooper has already accepted the invitation to be present on the occasion. Mr. Clark is one of the most eloquent and convincing orators in America, and has been speaker of the house for several years under the Democratic administration.

The speaking will be held in the Olar high school auditorium Monday evening, March 10th.

DENMARK BOY IS CITED.

Private James Breedin Receives Official Recognition.

In the last issue of The Herald the fact was mentioned that Private James Breedin, who had been severely wounded at Chateau Thierry, was back in America, and had spent a short furlough at this home at Denmark.

Since then The Herald has received a copy of an official citation of Private Breedin for distinguished bravery, and below we give a copy of the citation:

"Headquarters First Division, American Expeditionary Forces, France, June 15th, 1918. General Order No. 26.

"Extract—The division commander cites the following men of the 26th Infantry for conspicuous gallantry in action during operations connected with the capture and defense of Cantigny, May 27-31, 1918.

"Privates Walter L. Jones, James Breedin and Daniel Oaks, company E, 28th Infantry, were stationed as a listening detachment at the end of a sap; without protection and under heavy fire they remained at their post during an enemy raid, despite the fact that their orders authorized them to withdraw, thereby contributing largely to the repulse of the raiding party.

"By command of Major General Bullard:

"H. K. LOUGHRY.

"Major, F. A., N. A., Division Adjutant."

TELLS OF EXPERIENCES.

Lake Bellinger in Midst of Battle That Broke Hindenburg Line.

Although he was gassed on September 29th, the date the big drive which broke the Hindenburg line started, Lucius S. Bellinger, of this city, was in the midst of this battle long enough to see some of the magnificent fighting of the thirtieth division. He also witnessed the retreat of the German army for thirty miles before mustard gas, mixed with chlorine and other gasses, "knocked him out," as he expresses it. Since Sept. 29th, Mr. Bellinger has been recuperating from the effects of German gas.

Mr. Bellinger was one of the first nine selected men from Bamberg county. After a farewell meeting held on Main street, Mr. Bellinger and the other eight left on the morning of Sept. 5th for Camp Jackson, being attached to the 306th engineers. On October 18th, he was transferred to Camp Sevier and attached to the 105th engineers. He remained at Sevier until May 18th, 1918, when he was started on his way to France. His regiment was first sent to Camp Mills, N. Y., where they remained for five days, and then were carried to Montreal, Canada. After a short stay there the regiment joined a convoy at Halifax, N. S., and embarked for Liverpool. Only a few days were spent at Liverpool in a rest camp before the boys were carried to Calais, arriving in the old French city in June last year.

Mr. Bellinger and his comrades were transferred by train from Calais to the inland, and attached to the British army, along with the thirtieth and twenty-seventh divisions, he being in the famous thirtieth. The thirtieth is composed of South Carolina, North Carolina, Tennessee and District of Columbia men, and the twenty-seventh is composed of the national guard of the State of New York.

About the first week in July the American boys were moved up into Belgium. For strategic reasons the whereabouts of the division were kept secret, and although the folks at home thought their boys were in France, about two months were spent in Belgium, and to keep the Germans from knowing their whereabouts, the boys wrote their letters ostensibly from France. The occupied territory of Belgium was so small that to divulge the fact that they were in Belgium would have been to give the Germans their exact location, and this, of course, was not permissible.

The 105th engineers took up work at Ypres building "pill boxes," or gun emplacements, erecting barb wire entanglements, etc. It may be explained that this work is exceedingly dangerous, inasmuch as it is necessary for the engineers to go ahead of the infantry, and much of the work is necessarily done in the open. Mr. Bellinger states that his company worked every night, the darkness affording some protection. The engineers were also in charge of the trench railways, which were used for transporting relief troops to and from occupied sectors. Mr. Bellinger's company remained near Ypres for two months, and during this time he witnessed the driving of the Germans off Kemmel Hill, one of the Hun strongholds. This occurred in August, 1918. He was right in this fight and tells many thrilling incidents that occurred.

In August he was moved back into France and stationed near St. Paul. He saw no active service there, and was sent to points near Amiens, and Albert, and then on up to the Hindenburg line north of St. Quentin at Bellcourt. There the engineers prepared the way for the attack that will go down in history as the beginning of the end for the German armies. The engineers were kept busy opening up the roads for lines of communication, filling shell craters, etc.

On September 29th the big drive was strated. That day witnessed the breaking of the Hindenburg line. Although the British were first given credit for this work, Marshal Haig a little later gave full credit to the thirtieth division, in which there were so many South Carolina boys, and quite a large number of Bamberg men. Mr. Bellinger states that the Americans were working in connection with the Australians in leap frog fashion, each relieving the other as they advanced their lines.

It was on this memorable day that Mr. Bellinger was "knocked out." The Germans were employing every device known to them to stem the crush of the Americans and Australians, and gas shells were falling everywhere with the shrapnel and other shells. One of these exploded near Mr. Bellinger and he was put out of commission. Fourteen others of his comrades, all of them at that place, were also gassed. He was blinded by the mustard gas and had to be carried to the rear. He also received some injury from other gasses, but it was the mustard gas

BAMBERG GETS SITE.

Appropriation Made for Location of Postoffice Building.

Washington, Feb. 15.—As reported today the house by the committee on public buildings and grounds, the omnibus public buildings bill carries the following South Carolina items:

For new postoffice and federal buildings at Greenwood and Rock Hill, \$125,000 at each place. Permission is given for the sale of the present building and site at Rock Hill for the construction of a court house building on a new site near the postoffice at an allowance of \$100,000 for the new land to be acquired. For a new postoffice and federal building at Aiken, \$85,000, and for new postoffices, sites or additions as follows, the small amounts being for sites: Summerville and Walterboro, \$45,000 each; Hartsville, \$50,000; Dillon, \$40,000; Lancaster, \$19,000; Clinton, \$5,500; and Bamberg, Barnwell, Batesburg, Bishopville, Cheraw, Conway, Easterty, Greer, Manning, St. Matthews and York, \$5,000.

How to Get Out of Service.

Sheriff S. G. Ray has received a communication from the war department detailing the manner in which enlisted or drafted men in the service overseas may secure discharges from the service. The secretary of war states that it is his desire to release from service all men who, for reasons of sickness or distress, are needed at home. It is necessary to submit proofs of the necessity for the return of the soldier, and these proofs may be submitted by some person other than the soldier himself, but it must be with his consent. It is also indicated that any enlisted or drafted man may be sent home from abroad on furlough for the same reason. Such requests for discharge may be sent by letter or cable and should be sent direct to the commanding general, American Expeditionary Forces.

Boll Weevil is Coming.

Mr. C. A. McFaddin, tobacco expert of Clemson college, was in Bamberg last week arranging for the holding of our farm meetings in the county next Saturday. Mr. McFaddin was in The Herald office for a short time Wednesday. He states that there is no doubt of the coming of the cotton boll weevil. Asked if it was likely that the pest would damage the cotton crop this year, he replied that he did not think so. The weevil was found in two sections of this county last fall, but Mr. McFaddin is of the opinion that the insect will not have time to spread sufficiently to do much harm this year. Next year will probably see the weevil in this county in large numbers, he said.

Will Open Service Station.

Mr. J. K. Faulkner, of the Faulkner Electric Service company, announces that he will soon open an associate Willard service station in Bamberg, to be operated in connection with his present business here. There is not at present a battery service station nearer than Orangeburg or Augusta, and this new service will be quite a convenience to the car owners of this section. Since practically 100 per cent. of the cars are now operated from the storage battery, the need of such a station is readily seen, and the fact that Bamberg is to have one will be interesting news to the automobile public of the county and surrounding territory.

Court Again Postponed.

The March term of the court of general sessions has been postponed by Judge McIver, the presiding judge, upon petition of the local bar, who represented that the danger of further spread of the Spanish influenza is so great that they deem it wise not to attempt to hold court at this time. It was left at the discretion of the presiding judge to set a date for the holding of the court at some later time.

that did the work for him.

After spending some time in the hospitals in France, he was sent to the American hospital in England, and was later sent home in a casual company, arriving in New York on December 21 on the White Star liner Baltic. The rest of the time was spent in a hospital in Atlanta, where he received the best of care. A few days ago he received his discharge and is now at home.

Mr. Bellinger's injury from gas was very severe. He lost about thirty pounds in weight, and has not yet recovered his normal flesh. He has gained fifteen pounds since arriving in America, and although he is still listed as being 35 per cent. disabled, the doctors say he will regain his health. He contributed liberally to the cause of democracy, and his friends are delighted to have him back again.

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.

Mr. C. W. Nash, President Nash Motors Co., Here Last Week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Nash, of Kenosha, Wisconsin, were visitors in the city for a few days last week. They were en route to Florida, and stopped over here as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Decania Dowling. They were accompanied from Charlotte, N. C., by Mr. and Mrs. H. Spann Dowling, who also spent a few days here.

Mr. Nash is president of the Nash Motors company, one of the largest automobile concerns in the world, and is himself one of the leading men of big business interests in the country.

A fish fry was tendered Mr. and Mrs. Nash during their stay in Bamberg by Mr. and Mrs. Decania Dowling, this being, of course, new to the visitors. A Bamberg fish fry is always an enjoyable affair, and this one was not only novel but was greatly enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. Nash. Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Rainey, Miss Rainey and Mr. Rhett, of Beaufort, and Mr. and Mrs. Spann Dowling, of Charlotte, were present at the fish fry, as were also a number of prominent Bamberg gentlemen.

Mr. and Mrs. Nash expressed themselves as being delighted with the hospitality and geniality of the people of Bamberg. Mr. Nash is quite a sportsman, as well as a prominent manufacturer, and while here enjoyed some hunting.

Messrs. Decania and Spann Dowling are the distributors for North and South Carolina of the Nash Motors company, with offices at Charlotte. Although this business, which is operated under the firm name of the Dowling Motor company, has been conducted only a few years, it has met with marked success, and the people of Bamberg have watched with no little interest the success of the Messrs. Dowling in the automobile field. Being in close business relationship with Mr. Nash as the head of the Nash Motors company, they secured his promise some time ago to take a few days off and visit Bamberg. Mr. Nash is a gentleman of most pleasing personality and made some warm acquaintances during his few days stay here, and promised that this would not be his last visit to Bamberg.

PYTHIAN BANQUET HELD.

Grand Officers Visit Bamberg and Ranks Are Conferred.

Last Monday evening was a notable occasion in local Pythian circles. An anniversary celebration was held, at which the grand chancellor of South Carolina, the Rev. Louis Bristow, of Abbeville, and the grand keeper of records and seal, Mr. C. D. Brown, of Abbeville, were present, as was also Mr. W. G. Womack, representing the insurance department in this State.

The Bamberg lodge, No. 38, met at the castle hall at 7 o'clock Monday evening, and disposed of the usual routine business, after which the local Pythians and visiting brethren repaired to the court house where a delightful banquet was served by the U. D. C. chapter.

After the dishes were cleared away and the cigars were passed, Chancellor Commander J. C. Guilds, acting as toastmaster, called upon the Rev. G. P. White to extend a welcome to the visiting grand officers. This was done in a brief, but very entertaining talk. Responses were made by Rev. Mr. Bristow and Mr. Brown, in which they expressed their very great pleasure in visiting the Bamberg lodge. They complimented the lodge in a very high manner upon the achievements that have been made by increasing the membership of the lodge fifty per cent. within sixty days, and both stated that this was a record unparalleled in the grand domain.

After brief talks at the court house, the Pythians and esquires returned to the castle hall, where the rank of esquire was conferred upon four pages in a very entertaining and instructive manner.

Although the lodge had previously received into membership by initiation into the rank of page 36 applicants, the work has not stopped, for one new application was read at the convention, one member was elected by transfer, and one by reinstatement, making a net gain for the evening of three new members. Two other candidates have been elected to membership in addition upon whom the rank of page is yet to be conferred. The evening was one of the most enjoyable the lodge has experienced in many years.

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BAMBERG MET APPORTIONMENT

W. S. S. Purchases Amount to 112 Per Cent. of Quota.

County Chairman J. C. Guilds, of the war savings committee, has just received a communication from the State war savings committee in which a final report is made of the ranks of the counties in the purchase of W. S. S. are given. This report shows that Bamberg met her quota of war savings stamps fully, and over purchased twelve per cent. The revised quota fixed was \$20 for each white person and \$2 for each colored person. Under this revised scale, Bamberg county was allotted \$147,000 worth of stamps. She purchased almost \$166,000 worth, and ranks third in South Carolina under the revised quota per capita, Beaufort and Calhoun counties ranking first and second respectively. Bamberg ranks eighth in per capita purchases for the whole population, the figures for which were published in the last issue of The Herald. Below are given the figures according to the revised quota for Bamberg and nearby counties:

Table with 5 columns: County, Quota, Purchased, Rank, P. C. of Quota. Rows include Calhoun, Bamberg, Orangeburg, Dorchester, Hampton, Aiken, Colleton, and Barnwell.

Rural Carrier Examination.

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination for the county of Bamberg, S. C., to be held at Denmark on March 8, 1919, to fill the position of rural carrier at Denmark and Bamberg and vacancies that may later occur on rural routes from other post offices in the above-mentioned county. The examination will be open only to male citizens who are actually domiciled in the territory of a postoffice in the county and who meet the other requirements set forth in Form No. 1977. This form and application blanks may be obtained from the offices mentioned above or from the United States Civil Service Commission at Washington, D. C. Applications should be forwarded to the commission at Washington at the earliest practicable date.

Admission of women to this examination will be limited to those who are unmarried and to the wives of soldiers and sailors serving in the present war.

The Number Eleven.

The number 11 played a very conspicuous part in the armistice between the Teutonic allies and the Entente allies. The armistice became effective at the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. Now comes Mr. S. S. Williams, of Govan, with this one: Look at the eleventh verse of the eleventh chapter of the eleventh book of the Bible and you will see the downfall of the kaiser predicted. Well, you had better get your Bible out and look this up for yourself. The verse not only proclaims the downfall of the kaiser, but of any monarch who does not remember the statutes of God. As a matter of fact, there is a striking similarity of conditions indicated in the verse with conditions that prevailed in Germany.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Mr. Joel Hand, of Faulkner Electric Service company, of this city, left Monday for Augusta, where he will take a special course in storage batteries, covering service, recharging, repairing and rebuilding. He will be with the Augusta Battery Service, the official Willard Service station of Augusta and this territory.

He will be under the personal supervision of Mr. W. S. Eaton, the manager of the Augusta Battery Service, and will be taught by an old Willard man who has a reputation from the Willard factory of being one of the very best battery men in the south.

We want to state that when Mr. Hand finishes this course, in storage batteries, which will be in a short time, under the supervision of Mr. Eaton, we will assure the automobile public that we will be able to give you expert advice and repairs on your storage batteries.

We also wish to state that we carry a full line of new batteries in stock to fit all makes of cars, and we also have a rental battery to fit any make of car.

We invite the public to call on us and ask us questions regarding the condition and care of storage batteries.

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CONFLICTING REPORTS.

Corporal Franklin K. Ayer Reported Both Dead and Wounded.

Friends and relatives of Corporal Franklin K. Ayer, brother of Mr. F. C. Ayer, of this city, and Mr. R. A. Ayer, of Blackville, were much distressed last week to read in one of the daily newspapers that he was reported as having died of disease in France. Another daily paper carried the report that Corporal Ayer had been severely wounded, and still other papers carried no mention at all of this casualty. Members of the family were asked concerning the matter, and The Herald ascertained that no information whatever had been received by them of any injury to Corporal Ayer, and it is thought likely, inasmuch as the war department has not notified the family, that the report may have been erroneous. The war department at Washington has been appealed to for information concerning the corporal and it is sincerely trusted that he may be found to be safe and well at this time.

Table with 5 columns: Amount Purchased, Rank, P. C. of Quota. Rows include Calhoun, Bamberg, Orangeburg, Dorchester, Hampton, Aiken, Colleton, and Barnwell.

FARM MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

Preparing to Combat the Boll Weevil With Other Products.

The following farm meetings are announced for this county to take place on Saturday, February 22:

Denmark—10 a. m.
Bamberg—11:30 a. m.
Ehrhardt—2:30 p. m.
Olar—4:30 p. m.

Mr. D. W. Williams, live stock expert of Clemson college, will speak on the subject of live stock with special reference to hog raising. Mr. C. A. McFaddin, district agent of Clemson college, will speak on the subject of tobacco, and touch on general farming.

These gentlemen will tell the farmers something of great interest, and in view of the coming of the boll weevil, it is earnestly urged that every farmer in the county attend one of these meetings.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Money to Lend—On first security Apply to "X. Y. Z.", care The Herald. 2-27p.

Seed Irish Potatoes—Cobbler and Blks. 65c per peck. H. C. FOLK CO., Bamberg, S. C. tfn

For Sale—Pure White Leghorn eggs. \$1.50 per setting of 13. H. N. FOLK, Bamberg, S. C. tfn

For Sale—Five farm mules in fair condition, at reasonable price. F. F. JOHNSON, Bamberg, S. C. tfn

Wedding Gifts—A new line of sterling silver just received at REID'S JEWELRY STORE, Bamberg, S. C. ttn

Wanted—To buy a milk cow with young calf. One that will give not less than 2 1/2 gallons rich milk. R. M. BRUCE, at Herald office.

For Sale—My lot containing 1-1/3 acres with barn and stables on Rice street in Bamberg. Apply at once to J. FELDER HUNTER, Orangeburg, S. C. tfp

For Sale—One house and lot on Carlisle street, east, frontage 109 feet by 488 feet deep. Terms, easy. J. T. O'NEAL, Real Estate Agent, Bamberg, S. C. tfn

Registered Holstein Bull for Service—Paul Pontiac De Kol Korn-dyke 9th. \$5.00 cash with cow. At no lot back of court house. C. J. S. BROOKER, Bamberg, S. C. 5-8n.

Trespass Notice—Notice is hereby given that hunting or trespassing is forbidden on my place. I also forbid hogs or cows running on my land. MRS. REBECCA JORDAN. 2-27p.

Piano Tuning—I will be here several days, have had Northern training, and my prices are reasonable. If your piano needs tuning leave orders with Thos. Black Co. R. W. DURHAM. 2-20p.

For Sale—The handiest little adding machine in the country, it will add, subtract and multiply. Every business man and farmer needs one. Only \$12.50 delivered. J. M. SWINGLE, Orangeburg, S. C. 5-27p

For Sale—500 bu. Toole's Wilt-Resistant cotton seed. \$2.00 per bushel f. o. b. Bamberg or Denmark. Two bules per acre. See cotton on Allen Simmons place near Bamberg. M. T. WILLIS, Denmark, S. C. tfn

For Sale—37 acres three miles of Bamberg, known as the Tom Nimmons tract. Price, \$1,400 for quick sale. Joins Chas. Nimmons's place on Lemon Swamp, part of old Bessinger tract. About twenty-five acres under cultivation. J. K. MAYFIELD, Denmark, S. C. tft

For Sale—Limited quantity Wam-naker's Pedigreed Cleveland Big Boll cotton seed, one year from originators. Seed saved and ginned carefully and absolutely pure. Best cotton on earth. In 20-bushel lots at \$2.00 per bushel. See me at once, as supply is limited. H. J. BRABHAM, Bamberg, S. C. tfn