

The Bamberg Herald Thursday, April 10, 1919.

SHORT LOCALS.

Brief Items of Interest Throughout the Town and County.

The F. M. Bamberg chapter, U. D. C., will meet on Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. W. P. Jones.

Treasurer Jennings has received for credit to the Hampton school district No. 3, \$100 from the appropriation of 1918 for the extension of public schools.

The many friends of Mrs. S. A. Hand will be delighted to know that the operation she underwent at Baker sanitarium, Charleston, a few days ago was entirely successful, and that she is now rapidly recovering.

The Olar high school has received a cash prize of \$10 from the State Rural School Improvement association. This money is to be used for the up-keep, growth, efficiency and community service of the school.

The Woman's Missionary society of the Baptist church will meet next Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock, with Mrs. Alice Zeigler as leader. Several important business matters will be discussed, and a full attendance is desired.

The Bamberg Cotton Mills company has adopted the fifty-hour schedule. Instead of working short hours for six days, however, the mill is operating ten hours per day for five days in the week, closing now all day Saturday instead of Saturday afternoon as heretofore. The work hours are from 7 a. m. to 12:30 p. m., and from 1:15 p. m. to 5:45 p. m.

The War Camp Community Service has informed The Herald of the discharge from the army and return home of the following Bamberg county men: White: Gilbert Hiers, Ehrhardt; James Breedon, Lees; Claude Smoak, Bamberg; John L. Bessinger, Bamberg; Henry Smoak, Bamberg; colored: Dave Jenkins, Bamberg; Norris Tyler, Denmark.

Quite a number of farmers and business men of Bamberg attended the meeting of the South Carolina Cotton convention in Columbia last Thursday. Among those who went were: Messrs John H. Cope, C. W. Rentz, J. J. Heard, N. H. Fender, J. A. Wiggins, W. L. Riley, R. M. Hitt, W. D. Rowell, A. M. Denbow, Tom Ducker, J. P. O'Quinn, J. A. Williams, A. Rice, J. B. Guess, Jr., H. H. Kearse, C. F. Rizer, J. Wesley Crum, Jr., J. W. Hill, F. C. Ayer, W. D. Mayfield, Eddie Jackson. Mr. A. M. Denbow was named as delegate to the New Orleans convention in May.

Colston Clippings.

Colston, April 7.—Misses Evie Kirkland and Mamie McMillan spent Sunday with Mrs. Leila Bessinger. Mr. Vernon McMillan spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. Earle Kearse, of the Kearse, section. Misses Pearle Hutson and Florrie Davis and Messrs. Marion McMillan and Dawson Kearse attended the minstrel at Orangeburg Friday night. Miss Cuddie Padgett is visiting friends in Bamberg this week. Mrs. Sudie Barnes and children and Misses Laura and Eleanor Goodwin spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Beard, of the Spring Branch section. Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Clayton and little son, Ernest, visited relatives at Denmark Sunday. Miss Laura McMillan was at home last week-end. Mr. Copeland Zeigler dined with Mr. Calvin McMillan Sunday. Mr. Milton Howard, of Blackville, is visiting at the home of Mr. Preston McMillan. Mr. and Mrs. Isham Goodwin dined with Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Padgett Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Clayton spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Clayton.

Another Fine Road.

Supervisor McMillan has built several fine roads since he went into office. The latest one to be completed is the Hunter's Chapel road. Those who have been over this road say that it is one of the best in the county. The chain gang has been employed on this highway for several months. Mr. McMillan says that there is yet a little work to be done on the road, but that it will be necessary for the remainder to be done at a later date. The road has been rebuilt to the Hunter's Chapel church. Many of the crooks and curves have been straightened out, and the hills have been graded. Mr. McMillan's main trouble now is in keeping the roads in repair. The recent rains have injured all of the county's highways. He is now getting over the roads at fast as possible with repair gangs repairing the damage.

CONTRACT IS AWARDED.

Norfolk Concern Will Build Highway Through Bamberg County.

The Bamberg County link of the Columbia-Savannah highway will be built by J. R. Beasley & Co., of Norfolk, Va., a firm of road contractors. Bids for this work were received by the Bamberg county commissioners and were opened at the office of the commissioners one day last week. State Highway Engineer Roy Penning, of Columbia, was present, as was also a representative of the contracting firm. A certified check for \$500 was deposited with the county authorities as an evidence of the good faith of the bid, the amount of which is \$27,515. The length of the road is 12.17 miles, and extends from New Bridge, on the South Edisto river, to Buford's Bridge, on the Salkehatchie river, traversing the entire breadth of the county. The specifications call for the completion of the road within 200 days from the time the work is started, which the Beasley company stated would be about May 1. It will be seen, therefore, that the road will probably be completed about the first of next December.

At a meeting of the county commissioners last Monday the award of the bid was ratified, and the following resolution was passed. "Resolved, that the bid of J. R. Beasley & Co., of Norfolk, Va., submitted on April 2, 1919, for building the Columbia-Savannah highway through Bamberg county, is hereby accepted and the State highway engineer is requested to have the contract executed."

The Beasley company is one of the largest firms of road contractors in the South. They have a full equipment of road building implements. The construction of the work will be under the direction of the highway engineer, and, being under federal supervision, the people of the county may be assured that the road will be permanently and properly built.

As has been stated heretofore, this is a link of the Columbia-Savannah highway. Each county through which this road passes may obtain federal aid in its construction, the United States government putting up dollar for dollar up to a certain amount. Bamberg has taken advantage of this opportunity and one of the attractive features of the matter is that none of the ordinary county funds of Bamberg county will be used in this road construction.

The money derived by the county from automobile licenses has been set aside exclusively for road work. Supervisor McMillan states that the county treasurer now has on hand approximately \$1,800 from this source. With the amount yet coming to the county from automobile license taxes, the fund will be increased this summer to approximately \$6,000. Notes will be given by the county authorities for the borrowing of the remainder of the county's share of the Columbia-Savannah highway construction, and the automobile license taxes of next year and the year after will be applied to the payment of these notes. The county will receive more than sufficient funds from this source in the next two years to pay for the road, without touching any of the ordinary tax money of the county.

The county has yet to its credit about \$25,000 of federal money, and Supervisor McMillan states that arrangements will be started in the near future for the construction of the Bamberg link of the Augusta Charleston highway.

The contract of the Beasley company does not include any bridge work. There are no long bridges on the road, excepting those connecting Orangeburg and Allendale counties. The State highway engineer states that additional federal funds are available to help in the construction of these bridges. Short bridges are constructed over the Lemon swamp branches, but these have only recently been built by the county and are in good shape at present. All other bridges have been done way with and culverts built.

It is understood that Orangeburg and Allendale counties will take up their respective links of the highway and carry the road through these counties.

All counties must take advantage of the offer of federal aid by 1920, at which time the funds available to those counties which have not secured the funds will be reapportioned. Up to this time perhaps not more than half of the counties of the State have accepted the government offer.

The contracting company is under \$10,000 bond for the faithful carrying out of the contract. It is likely that the road will cost slightly in excess of the contract price, inasmuch as it is stipulated in the specifications that in the event clay or sand has to be hauled over a certain distance, a slight extra charge is to be made. Mr. McMillan states that there will be very few places, if any, on the road where this will be necessary.

MADE ANNUAL INSPECTION.

Lt. Col. W. T. Conway, General Staff, Visits Carlisle School.

Carlisle school's first annual inspection since becoming a unit of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps was made this week by Lieutenant Colonel Wm. T. Conway, of the general staff, Washington, D. C. Col. Conway arrived in Bamberg Sunday morning, during which time the inspection was made.

Col. Conway expressed great satisfaction upon the general conditions of the school. He stated that he found the rooms considerably larger in the barracks than is usually found. Special satisfaction was expressed because of the fine physique of the boys at Carlisle, which is far above the average in preparatory schools.

Col. Conway is attached to the general staff of the army at Washington. He has been in the service overseas and bears the scar of a wound received in the war.

Only three schools of the preparatory class in South Carolina are units of the R. O. T. C., the other two being Porter and Wofford Fitting school. Several of the colleges are units of the R. O. T. C. The inspection made by Col. Conway will determine the classification of Carlisle. The report, of course, has not yet been made.

NO NOMINATIONS MADE.

Only Nine Citizens of Bamberg Met to Discuss City Election.

Tuesday afternoon at 7 o'clock was the time appointed for the holding of a citizens' meeting for the purpose of nominating candidates for mayor and aldermen of the city of Bamberg. In response to the call issued by Mayor Rentz, nine voters appeared at the city hall. After waiting for a half hour, it was decided to disperse and not attempt to nominate any candidates.

The coming election was discussed among those present in an informal manner, and one matter of especial interest was talked of. That is the matter of increasing the mayor's salary. At present the mayor draws the munificent sum of \$200 per year. It appeared to be the opinion of all those present that the salary should be raised to \$500 or \$600 per year. It was pointed out that the duties devolving upon the mayor have increased from year to year until at present, quite a great deal of time is required, and it is a matter of great sacrifice for a business man to undertake to hold the office.

While no action was taken, it was suggested that the matter be put up to the voters in the coming election, and if the city authorities agree to it, the question will be asked on the ticket whether or not the voter favors an increase of salary for the mayor. This would appear to be a happy solution; inasmuch as no mayor would likely desire to preside at a meeting of council to raise his own salary.

Edisto Dental Society Meets.

The Edisto Dental society, composed of Orangeburg, Bamberg, Barnwell, Dorchester and Calhoun counties, met on Thursday, April 3, at St. George, the visiting dentists meeting with Dr. M. B. Johnson. The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Walker, of Orangeburg, and following this a business session was entered into. Dr. Pete, of St. George, gave a very interesting lecture on prosthodontic dentistry. This was followed by a talk on pyorrhea by Dr. Odom, of Norway, S. C. Several physicians were also present and Dr. C. Johnson spoke of how proud he was that the medical and dental professions were becoming more allied each day. Several other important subjects pertaining to dentistry were discussed, after which the meeting adjourned, and all present felt that a very profitable meeting had been held. Dentists from all five counties were on hand, and the next meeting will be held at Bamberg, on May 8. The officers of the society are: Dr. W. K. Walker, Orangeburg, president; Dr. George F. Hair, Bamberg, vice-president, and Dr. Morris Rich, Orangeburg, treasurer.

Private Leighton Rentz returned home this week, having been released from the service at Camp Jackson. Mr. Rentz volunteered for service, being under the draft age, and after spending some months in training at Camp Sevier went to France with the thirtieth division. He received a wound in the leg last fall and spent several weeks in hospitals in France, being later transferred to a recuperation camp in England. He recovered and was sent back to the front about the time the armistice was signed. He is in robust health. Mr. Rentz is a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Rentz, of this city.

BAMBERG BOYS HONORED.

Athen and Corinthian Morris Receive Italian Decoration.

The many friends throughout Bamberg county of Messrs. Athen R. Morris and Corinthian C. Morris, of Olar, will be interested to learn that they have recently been decorated by the Italian government for distinguished bravery in Italy. These young brothers volunteered for service in the ambulance corps before the draft law became effective, and they have for many months been attached to the American expeditionary forces in Italy. There were nineteen boys from South Carolina in this branch of the ambulance service, and the Italian cross of honor was awarded to each of them for their splendid service in removing patients from behind the Italian battle lines. These boys were members of section 526, United States ambulance corps, which was organized by Dr. Marion H. Wyman, a brother of Mr. J. A. Wyman, of this city.

Another one of the Morris brothers is also doing overseas duty. Mr. Bezele Morris, also of Olar. He is now with the American forces in France, but is expected home in the near future.

The organization of the company was undertaken by Dr. Marion H. Wyman, of Columbia, soon after the United States entered the war against Germany and a large proportion of the personnel came from the University of South Carolina, Columbia and other parts of the State. The organization in reality had its inception at the university, in that Dr. Wyman recruited from an ambulance company being organized by the students of that institution.

The company from South Carolina was later divided into three sections of 36 men each and known as sections 26, 27 and 28. Dr. Wyman, with the rank of lieutenant, was in command of all three units. He was later promoted to the rank of captain and was placed in command of a battalion of which the three units were a part. Captain Wyman was later transferred and went overseas with a base hospital from Fort McPherson, Ga. The section was trained at the United States army concentration camp, Allentown, Pa.

It was not long after the section had been organized until it had been dispatched to Italy, and soon after its arrival there the first death, that of Howard A. Archer, of Columbia, occurred. The young man died in Genoa and the remains were laid to rest in the Protestant plot at Camp Santo.

The work assigned to section 526 was that of evacuation along the Italian front. The total number of patients evacuated from September 15 to December 1 was 29,852. As many as 3,600 patients were evacuated some weeks and never fewer than 1,300. The total number of miles over which the ambulances were driven was 82,000, two-thirds of which was made under the cover of darkness.

AUTO LICENSE MONEY.

Bamberg County Will Receive \$4,270.40 From Auto Tax.

Columbia, April 8.—The State Highway commission through the State treasurer will distribute \$240,525.40 among the forty-six counties of the State from automobile license fees paid for 1919 up to April 1st. In 1918 the automobile license fees to April 1st amounted to \$195,512.40. The collections in 1919 were approximately \$45,000.00 in excess of those in 1918 up to the same date.

Bamberg county will receive \$4,270.40 as its share of the automobile license fees. Advocates of good roads are strongly of the opinion that every county in the State should devote the whole of its receipts from automobile license fees to making permanent road improvements or on road maintenance this year, as provided by law.

Section 11 of the act approved February 20th, 1917, creating the State Highway commission and imposing a license tax on motor vehicles, provides that the money from the license tax shall be used by the counties "only for the construction and maintenance of roads and bridges." From reports received last year, it appears that some of the counties turned the money from automobile license fees into the general county fund and did not use it as required by law.

The list of county pensioners appears in another place of this issue of The Herald. In addition to these names, there will be a number of other pensioners who were added to the list by the pension commissioners at a recent meeting under the new pension law. These pensioners will receive their money as soon as the names are passed on by the State pension commissioners.

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COUNTY PENSION ROLL.

Clerk of Court Ready to Pay Money to Confederate Veterans.

Clerk of Court A. L. Kirkland has received the pension money for Bamberg county; and is ready to pay all the veterans entitled to pensions. The pension roll for this county is as follows:

- Class A—\$96. J. W. Bessinger, Bamberg. W. C. Bessinger, Olar. J. B. Hunter, Bamberg. H. F. Pearson, Bamberg. J. G. Rentz, Branchville. A. Wilson, Bamberg. J. H. Zeigler, Bamberg. Class B—\$72. J. C. Copeland, Ehrhardt. Class C-1—\$48. A. R. Dempsey, Midway. R. C. Dempsey, Midway. G. W. Garland, Bamberg. G. H. Kearse, Bamberg. J. E. McMillan, Bamberg. M. Smoak, Sr., Bamberg. Class C-2—\$36. U. M. Eaves, Govan. Wm. Griffin, Bamberg. G. D. Hanberry, Bamberg. D. S. Hartzog, Denmark. J. H. McCormick, Govan. C. M. McMillan, Bamberg. J. C. Nimmons, Govan. J. D. Robinson, Bamberg. W. P. Sandifer, Bamberg. C. F. Still, Olar. J. H. Stoudmire, Midway. Class C-3—\$48. Lucia Ray, Govan.

- Class C-4—\$36. S. A. Bishop, Ehrhardt. M. A. Black, Ehrhardt. Susannah Blume, Denmark. Janie Brabham, Olar. Georgiana Brown, Bamberg. H. M. Carter, Bamberg. Susan Carter, Bamberg. R. A. Chisholm, Bamberg. M. M. Clayton, Ehrhardt. Cornelia J. Dunn, Bamberg. M. J. Eaves, Denmark. Emily Fail, Olar. M. A. Gillam, Bamberg. Emma Grimes, Denmark. Jane E. Hutto, Denmark. M. L. Johns, Bamberg. Allis Johnson, Bamberg. Sylvia L. Jones, Bamberg. Maryland Jones, Bamberg. C. A. Kinard, Ehrhardt. Mary Kinsey, Bamberg. Regusta Kirkland, Bamberg. Mattie Main, Olar. L. A. Martin, Denmark. Eliza Morris, Olar. Nellie Morris, Bamberg. M. V. Muse, Bamberg. Mary Myers, Bamberg. Adeline Neal, Bamberg. E. A. Nevils, Bamberg. Fanny Phillips, Bamberg. M. E. Smith, Denmark. Annie Smoak, Denmark. Delila Smoak, Bamberg. Rebecca Smoak, Bamberg. Elizabeth Starr, Olar. Ellen Steedly, Bamberg. M. E. Fant, Bamberg. Sara Ann Fant, Denmark. Nola Touchstone, Denmark. Eliza Thompson, Bamberg. Sallie R. Tindall, Denmark. Mary E. Walker, Denmark. Maggie Wilson, Bamberg. E. N. Wright, Bamberg.

RED CROSS NOTES.

Ten Boxes of Cakes, Hams, Etc., Sent to Columbia for Soldiers.

The Bamberg Chapter, A. R. C., responded in a liberal manner in helping to entertain the soldiers of the thirtieth division in Columbia last week. Ten boxes of eatables—cakes, hams, candy, etc., were sent to the headquarters for this purpose. The manner in which Bamberg responded was the cause of very complimentary appreciation from the ladies of Columbia.

The home nursing class will be called next Wednesday afternoon at 6 o'clock. Mrs. J. F. Brabham has kindly consented to instruct the class and it is hoped that the ladies will take advantage of the helpful lessons of the course. There are some layettes to be made for the Belgians and French, and it has been suggested that the ladies could sew while Mrs. Brabham gives the lessons. A number of Denmark ladies have signified their intention to meet with us.

The chairmen of the different circles are asked to gather in the little garments that were distributed some weeks ago. There are a number of garments still out, and the ladies are asked to attend to this matter immediately, as a very early shipment of this clothing is desired.

Quite a number of the Bamberg boys who have been serving overseas have returned home within the past week. Most of these have been with the thirtieth division. All of the boys are glad to be home, and they have been welcomed by their friends and relatives.

MORE HOME BOYS RETURN.

Bamberg Men of the Thirtieth Return on Transports Last Week.

The following soldiers of the thirtieth returned to America last week on board the Huron and the Madawaska, which departed at Charleston Thursday:

- Thomas E. Grimes, Branchville. Marvin P. Smoak, Orangeburg. James W. Berry, Branchville. Harry D. Kinard, Smoaks. H. Leighton Rentz, Bamberg. Charlie F. Strickland, Smoaks. Harford Smoak, Smoaks. Ennis Breeiland, Olar. Ariel Towne, Blackville. Harry S. Byrd, Branchville.

Letter From Frank Kirkland.

My Dear Sir:—I received your letter of Feb. 3, also one from Alma and Mary of the same date, and you can bet they were appreciated, for it was the first mail I had received in two weeks. Tell papa I received the affidavit that he sent. I put it in but haven't heard anything from it yet but hope to in a few days, for I want to come home worse than anyone can imagine, but I just know our outfit will be among the last to leave, for we boys are expecting to help haul the last baggage for the Third army; then go back and help put the lights out and then aboard the ship for the U. S. A. You know that will be eight or ten months longer. Am expecting to be among the last Americans to leave Brest, and no doubt the army of occupation will walk up the gang plank here. I had a letter from Jack yesterday; said that he had been in the hospital for 6 weeks, but was expecting to leave for the States at any old time; I sure hope to see him, even if I can't go along with him. I suppose I will see him when he starts, for I wrote and told him to come by "Fast Fadera" if he could. I spent a very pleasant week-end at Frey Hei-Beach, about 18 miles from here, the beach reminds me of the beach in Charleston, except the hills. We danced all Saturday night; that's all that reminds me of Charleston in this country. I think everybody enjoyed it; the girls were real jolly, and tried to make every one feel at home. The trip was given by the Y. M. C. A. Am sending you a picture of the hotel that we stopped at—the end of the building shows plainest. After we ate dinner they took us about 15 miles up the coast; we saw some of the oldest buildings, forts, etc. I sure enjoyed the afternoon ride even if it was in a truck. Must stop as lights will go out in a minute; tell everybody around home to write to me; tell Pearl to keep sweet and write sometimes. With love to all the family, and everybody around, your beloved brother,

FRANK KIRKLAND, M. T. C., 549, M. S. T. 428, A. E. F., Brest, A. P. O. 716, France.

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SPECIAL NOTICES.

For Sale—Collie puppies. E. J. DAVIS, Bamberg, S. C.

For Sale—Geese and goose eggs. Apply to PHONE 47, Bamberg, S. C.

For Sale—200 pounds Watson melon seed. 75c lb. Apply to E. C. HAYS, Bamberg, S. C.

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

For Sale—Five hundred bushels corn at \$1.75 per bushel. Apply to I. L. ZEIGLER, Ehrhardt, S. C. 4-10-p.

For Sale—One house and lot on Carlisle street, east, frontage 109 feet, by 488 feet deep. Terms easy. J. T. ONEAL, Real Estate Agent, Bamberg, S. C.

Wanted to Sell Cheap—10 tons 16 per cent. acid phosphate; 5 tons 9.17-2-2; 5 tons 8-3-3. Make an offer, cash, f. o. b. Ehrhardt. X. Y. Z., box 112, Ehrhardt, S. C.

Registered Holstein Bull for Service—Paul Pontiac De Kol Korn-dyke 9th. \$5.00 cash with cow. At my lot back of court house. C. J. S. BROOKER, Bamberg, S. C.

For Sale—Fancy eggs for setting from the following breeds, for setting of 15 eggs: White Plymouth Rock, \$1.50; Rhode Island Red, \$1.50; White Leghorn, \$1.25. E. C. BRUCE, Bamberg, S. C.

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

For Sale—Limited quantity Wannemaker'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.

For Sale—One Klein touring car, practically new; run about three thousand miles; five good tires, one never used. Will sell cheap. Reason for selling, car is too heavy for my work—and upkeep too heavy for my purse. Address, S. P. RENTZ, M. D., Branchville, S. C., R. F. D. 2. 4-17n