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## FAME.

Fame, like fortune, is a flighty thing. One day you have it, and the next, perhaps, you awake to the fact that it has flown. Admiral Sims returned from the war covered with glory, honor and fame. He it was who administered the affairs of the great United States navy in European waters during the world war. But the admiral like many ordinary folks got to talking, and his talk got too loose, and for some weeks now his fame has been diminishing with alarming rapidity. A few months ago one would hardly have dared to openly take a shot at the admiral, and yet his name was publicly hissed in New York the other day, when it was announced that when President Wilson had proposed that the German submarines be hemmed in their nests Admiral Sims was the only American who opposed the plan. After reading the flaying Congressman Byrnes gave Sims one is not surprised to learn that Sims did this. The wonder is that the government allowed the admiral to even remain in the navy.

## USELESS LEGISLATION.

We presume that the greatest majority of the legislators feel that it is absolutely necessary for them to introduce and at least make an effort to have passed some bills each year. If we were in the general assembly, a thing that is not at all likely to ever occur, we think we should direct our efforts not to introducing bills, but to killing bills that were introduced. Every year hundreds of bills are passed that are not worth the paper the authors write them on. The result is the statutes are encumbered with all sorts and varieties of so-called laws, only a small part of which probably are constitutional, and a great many of which are so confusing and conflicting that a French lawyer could not make head nor tail of them. We have sometimes had the idea that about the best thing to do would be to throw away what laws we have and start all over again. Probably this would be of very little benefit, however, unless an injunction could be obtained restraining the legislators from introducing possibly worse bills the next time.

## MUD HOLES.

The Columbia State is authority for the statement that it was only a comparatively few years ago when a mule was drowned in a mud hole in Spartanburg. However, that has nothing on the city of Aiken. According to the Journal and Review, a mule was drowned in a pool of water there only a few days ago. The pool, or puddle, was located in the city stable lot. This is a simple statement of fact, and is not printed for any purpose of deflecting from Aiken's just fame as a health resort. Mud holes will happen in the best regulated towns sometimes. Fact is, we have a few of them here in Bamberg, but we don't believe a mule could be drowned in any of them.

We recommend that Aiken take pattern after Bamberg and get rid of the mule drowning mud holes. What few such places we have left will not be here long, for the town and the government are spending \$25,000 for the purpose of eliminating all sources of mosquito breeding, which, of course, includes mud holes and the like.

We are not "uppish" however, and Bamberg is not even ashamed of the fact that we used to have a fairly good fish pond out on Main street.

Mr. John H. Cope has been named by Governor Cooper as a delegate to the Southern Appalachian Good Roads association meeting in Asheville, N. C., on February 26 to 28.

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## 35 Million to Wage War on Styles

Consumers' Union, Comprised of Women, to Battle Against High Cost of Living

The Consumers' union, 35,000,000 members strong, will soon be in action, according to a Washington correspondent.

It will call nation-wide strikes. One of the first will be against styles. Every one of the 35,000,000 women belonging to the union will pledge herself to wear last year's hats and last year's gowns.

"Of course they will do it," said Miss Edith S. Strauss, appointed by Attorney General Palmer as a marshal of the army of women to be mobilized by the government in a gigantic offensive against the high cost of living. "Every woman is willing to wear last year's hat if she knows every other woman is doing it. I've already gone on a strike against high prices. I have taken a vow to buy no more clothes until those I am wearing can be no longer clothes.

"Everyone is organizing in America except the poor consumer. Until the consumers unite and stand solidly behind the government in an intensive campaign against high prices we might as well sit with folded arms and watch the profiteer flourish.

"The women must carry on about nine-tenths of this warfare against high prices and with 35,000,000 of them organized and working as a solid unit with the government, in six months we can get the cost of living back to normal levels.

"In every city and village there must be a league of consumers who pledge themselves to do without rather than pay excessive prices. When milk is raised to a price beyond reason, like against the people of New York, they will call a milk strike and on certain days of the week do without milk until the law of supply and demand forces a cut in the price.

"One of the reasons for excessive prices is that the American public is drunk with money; people have more money than ever before and they are spending it recklessly.

"One of the first things we must do is to cut out senseless luxuries, another is to increase production."

Miss Strauss is a pretty, energetic, wholly confident young woman. Her official title is director of woman's activities: High cost of living, department of justice.

"Do you know that there are 16,000 men and women earning their living by traveling through the country telling people how unhappy they should be and how they should go out from under and overthrow existing conditions?" she concluded.

## PIGS CAUSED WORLD WAR

Quarrel Between Austria and Serbia Traced to Difficulty Over Swine

Pigs—just pigs—brought on the war, according to a statement accredited to Count Carl Seilern, formerly confidential adviser to the erstwhile Emperor Charles at Vienna. Frederick H. Mead of Troy, N. Y., a member of the Red Cross convoy taking food supplies to Budapest, reports the count as saying:

"Fifteen years before the war Serbia was shipping great numbers of pigs into Hungary, successfully competing with the Hungarian farmers. The Hungarians protested but the border was left open. Finally the Austro-Hungarian government on the pretext that all Serbian pigs were diseased placed an embargo on them.

"Up to that time the two governments had more or less of a friendly understanding. Political leaders in Serbia seized upon the pig incident. Austro-Hungarian diplomats took up the question. Misunderstandings arose over it. When it grew too old for political propaganda, other questions were built out of it and thus the world war was brought on.

"Yes, there is no doubt, pigs caused the war."

## Ticket Stamper's Accident Led to Discovery of Art of Printing From Stone

An odd accident led to the discovery of lithography.

In 1796 a ticket stamper, employed at a Munich theater, carelessly left his salary check on a table in the room where he worked. A gust of wind suddenly blew the check off the table into a basin of water on the floor. He dried the check as best he could, and, to straighten the paper out, he placed it underneath the whetstone, which had been resting on his printing stamp, and left it lying there throughout the night.

The following morning, on taking the stone off the check, he was surprised to see that the imprint from the stone was transferred to the check, and the thought struck him that by means of a large stone he could "print" programs and songs. He made experiments, and finally discovered—through this accident—the art of printing from stone.

Thus was he the first lithographer.

## "The World War," Official Name for Great Conflict

The war is still so close to modern times that all sorts of names have been used to distinguish it from other wars. The war department through the secretary of war, has decided to call it "The World War." An official order to that effect was made public recently, declaring that "the war against the central powers of Europe, in which the United States has taken part, will hereafter be designated in all official communications and publications as 'The World War.'"

## Japanese Produce Dwarf Trees Through Training in Reverse to Nature

There is a general impression that the method of producing dwarf trees is a secret that the Japanese have never divulged; but the course to be pursued is really simple. The whole system of culture may be summed up as the reverse of nature's method. It really consists, not in the survival of the fittest, but rather in the survival of the unfittest. A poor, weak seed is usually chosen and planted. As soon as it has attained some growth the leading shoot is trimmed off. The little plant then grows two other shoots, and these are carefully watched. When one shoot exhibits a strength and vitality greater than its fellow it is at once cut off and the weaker shoot is untouched in order to form the future dwarf tree's main stem or trunk. This system of trimming and cutting is followed punctiliously. Water is seldom used—only in very small quantities to keep the little plant actually alive. The tree is kept in a pot too small for its full development, and the roots are constantly pruned. The shoots are carefully trained and bent to follow the growth of a large tree. All this requires great patience, but the Japanese never tire watching the growth of the tree from day to day, week to week and month to month. When the tree has been growing for about five years, it can then be practically left to take care of itself. It has become accustomed to its training, and its surroundings, and, like force of habit, follows the course laid out for it. In this manner some very magnificent specimens of dwarf trees are produced which in their miniature beauty and majesty compare favorably with their big brothers in the untrained forests.

## RIGHT TO THE POINT

And even the skin-deep beauty is apt to wear off.

Trying to dodge work tires more men than hard labor.

A genius is a man who is not much good at anything else.

It doesn't require much practice to acquire the art of being lazy.

Only a strong-minded woman can preserve fruit and her temper simultaneously.

The railway conductor has troubles of his own without worrying about his wife's train.

## An Interesting Link.

One of the interesting recent discoveries was that of Sir A. Stein, who found in the desert of the Helmand in Afghanistan a series of watch towers extending 62 miles, dating from the early Christian era and connecting the great wall of China with the Roman lines of Syria.

## Truck for Chambermaids.

For the use of chambermaids in large hotels and apartment houses a rubber-tired truck with suitable shelves has been devised, capable of carrying all the supplies and implements she is likely to require.

## STEPS.

Every once in a while a city or town will come to a step. The question arises, will the town step up higher, or remain where it is. Bamberg arrived at a step last year, and she decided to go up. We are now at the point of making another step upward in the voting of a bond issue for permanent improvements. The same question is here again: Will Bamberg step up or remain where it is?

Messrs. Allison and Jones, deputy internal revenue collectors, were in Bamberg last Thursday, Friday and Saturday assisting the people in making their income tax returns.



Just Arrived

## One Car Cedar Shingles

### SASH IN STOCK

2-4 x 5

2-4 x 5-2

2-4 x 5-6

2-4 x 4-6

2-6 x 5-6

2-10 x 5-10

2-7 x 5-2

2-10 x 4-6

All 12 lights

### GLASS DOORS

2-10 x 6-10

3 x 7

### 4-PANEL DOORS

2-10 x 6-10

3 x 7

### SCREEN DOORS

2-10 x 6-10

3 x 7

L. B. FOWLER

Bamberg, S. C.

The Herald Book Store carries the largest stock of tablets, pencils memorandum books, and school supplies in Bamberg county.

## NOTICE.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Edisto Public Service Company will be held at their office, Denmark, S. C., March 4th, at 11 a. m., for the purpose of voting on a resolution proposing to increase the capital stock of the corporation to fifty thousand dollars.

(Signed) R. A. EASTERLING, Treasurer.

February 7th, 1919. 3-4n

## NOTICE.

I have just taken over the Buick Agency, and will be glad to have your future orders for cars and parts referred to me.

G. M. NEELEY, Olar, S. C.

## LOST CERTIFICATE OF STOCK.

The undersigned will on the 25th day of March, 1920, apply to Enterprise Bank, Bamberg, S. C., for one new certificate of stock of said bank in lieu of stock certificate No. 35 for one share, which certificate has been lost or destroyed.

3-18n MRS. J. L. GRAHAM.

## Vulcanizing and Tire Repair Shop

We announce the opening of a vulcanizing and tire repair shop on Railroad avenue, in new building of Mr. B. F. Free near Farmers Ginning Company on or about the 15th of March. Latest machinery and material will be used. All kinds of tire and tube repairing. Every job absolutely guaranteed.

We have just returned from Akron, Ohio, where after taking a special course in this line, we were employed in the Goodyear Tire factory.

## COURTNEY BROTHERS

## MANY LOCAL PEOPLE ARE TAKING MERITONE

NEW MEDICINE GAINS SAME SUCCESS IN THIS CITY AND COUNTY THAT IT HAS IN MANY OTHER COMMUNITIES

Many people of this city and county have started taking Meritone, the famous new system medicine, since it was announced in the newspapers just one week ago that a supply of Meritone had been shipped here to Mack's Drug Store.

Indications now point to the fact that Meritone will become just as successful in this city and county as it has in hundreds of communities of a similar size, and it is possible that the sale here may rival those in such larger places as Nashville, Chattanooga, Birmingham, Lexington, Ky., and others, considering the size of this community.

The success Meritone has gained here, however, is only the usual thing

wherever Meritone is introduced, and this success is small considering what it will be once the entire population of this city and county learn of Meritone's real merit.

It is this real merit that makes Meritone successful—real merit a trained chemist put into Meritone by years of work on its formula. He made of Meritone a medicine without a superior for the ills of the system, such as ailing conditions of the stomach, liver or kidneys, catarrh, rheumatism and the like, and once this fact becomes fully known here the sale of Meritone will rise by leaps and bounds.

Meritone is sold exclusively in Bamberg by Mack's Drug Store.

# Announcement!

We beg to announce to the people of Bamberg and vicinity that we have purchased the two white barber shops in Bamberg formerly owned by Mr. E. H. Duncan.

The upper Main street shop will be under the management of Mr. Dukes. This shop is equipped with four chairs, and four expert white barbers will at all times be ready to give you prompt and courteous attention.

The lower shop, formerly operated by Arthur Nimmons, will be under Mr. McDuffie's management. The shop is equipped with three chairs, and three courteous white barbers are at the command of our patrons.

It is our intention to give the people of Bamberg the very best possible service at both our shops. We shall at all times have plenty of barbers—and we shall employ only those who will give our patrons and friends the service that is rendered in the best shops.

If any of our patrons should receive unsatisfactory service, we request that the fact be reported to us, and it will give us pleasure to see that it does not again occur. We guarantee to serve you in a manner that will be pleasing to you and a credit to ourselves. You are cordially invited to visit us.

WE MAKE A SPECIALTY OF HAIR CUTTING FOR CHILDREN.

B. C. McDuffie J. G. Dukes

BAMBERG, S. C.