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Events at Earles.

Earles, March 12:—Rev Mr Gardner preached his regular sermon at Harmony church Sunday morning. Mr and Mrs Edward Dutton were guests at the home of Mr J S Taritt last Sunday.
Misses Lorraine Lathan, Florida McCelvey, Katie Wingate and Mr Charlton Camlin were visitors at Andrews Saturday.
Mr W S Camlin and son, Tom, of West Andrews attended services at Harmony church Sunday.
Misses Elna Feagin and Thelma Marshall were visitors at Andrews Saturday.
Messrs Clifford and Claude Parsons were guests at the home of Mr W B Haselden Sunday.
Mr George McElveen, the distinguished Sunday-school worker of Williamsburg county, gave a most interesting lecture at Harmony church Sunday morning. A good crowd was present and every one enjoyed the lecture very much.
Misses Lorraine Lathan, Florida McCelvey, Katie Wingate, and Mr Charlton Camlin attended services at Gourdins Chapel Sunday afternoon.
A series of services will begin at Harmony church Wednesday night, March 14. The services will be conducted by Rev Mr Gardner, pastor of the church, assisted by Rev Mr Smith, formerly of Texas, but now a member of the lower South Carolina conference. We hope everyone will take great interest in the services.
Mr Tillman Ham of Sampit was in this community last Sunday.
The Girl's Sewing Circle met at Earles school house Friday afternoon. The members are taking great interest in the work, and we hope to have a better club in the future.
Mr C K Feagin was over in the Trio section Sunday.
Miss Phroso Harrelson spent the past week-end at her home near Gourdins Chapel. RED CROW.

Items from Piney Forest.

Andrews, R F D 1, March 14:—Miss Craig Hyatt, teacher of the Piney Forest school, spent the week-end with Miss Janie Johnson, teacher in the Trio section.
Miss Hattie Kirton of Earles is visiting relatives here this week.
Mr Ben Ammons of Bloomingdale with a party of young ladies was noted in this section Sunday afternoon.
Mr S R Long, who is one of the largest hog owners in this section, has lost practically all his drove from cholera.
Miss Estelle Long is at the bedside of her sister, Mrs Amanda Smith, of the Morrisville section, who is very ill at this writing.
The Sunday-school here is progressing nicely under the superintendency of Mr W J Godwin.
Mr Richard Brockinton of Morrisville R F D 5 was in this section Sunday afternoon, as usual. POOR BOY.

Election at Andrews.

Andrews, March 13:—There will be an election in Andrews for mayor on March 19. The candidates are: Messrs J L Grant and C J Levy. Mr Grant has been mayor for the last six years and during his incumbency the little village of Andrews has become a little city known all over South Carolina; and at no time has its growth been faster or more steady than it is today. Mr Levy is a genial gentleman and very popular personally.
Six councilmen are to be elected at the same time. There are twelve candidates.

William L Jeffries, a son of Dr M D Jeffries, pastor of Southside Baptist church, Spartanburg, was accidentally killed at Mountain Mills, Vt, Saturday by inhaling chlorine gas. He was a chemist in the employ of the DuPont Powder company and had been sent to Mountain Mills to supervise the installation of a bleaching plant.

James A Carlisle, one of the assistant cashiers of the Union National Bank, of Columbia, a leading banking institution of that city, was arrested last Saturday upon a warrant sworn out before United States Commissioner R Beverly Sloan, the specific charge against him being a shortage in his accounts of about ten thousand, five hundred dollars.

UNITED STATES WILL
ARM MERCHANTMEN

PRESIDENT STILL CLINGS TO
HOPE THAT THERE WILL BE NO
ACTUAL CLASH WITH GERMAN
SUBMARINES.

Washington, March 12—The United States Government today took the only formal step that will precede the sailing for the war zone of American merchant ships armed to resist attacks by German submarines.
Notice to the world of the intention to place an armed guard on merchantmen was given in a communication sent by the State Department to all embassies and legations in Washington.
The statement, which, it is assumed, will be transmitted to Germany by the Swiss minister, follows:
"In view of the announcement of the Imperial German Government on January 31, 1917, that all ships, those of neutrals included, met within certain zones of the high seas would be sunk without any precaution being taken for the safety of the persons on board, and without the exercise of visit and search, the Government of the United States has determined to place upon all American merchant vessels sailing through the barred zone an armed guard for the protection of the vessels and the lives of the persons on board.

Officials continued to be reticent today about the arming of ships and the probable date the first would be ready to sail. All such details are regarded as military secrets.
In fact there is a general disposition to avoid discussing any phase of the situation pending the outcome of the defiance of the submarine menace by American vessels with naval guns and gunners on board.

Speculation continues as to the part the United States may play if forced into hostilities by Germany. In official quarters the opinion is very clear that President Wilson for the present at least is contemplating no more direct connection with the European war than is necessary to protect American rights on the high seas.
Preparations for eventualities are going forward, but the President is known still to cling to the hope that there will be no actual clash between America's armed merchantmen and German submarines.
The President, who has been confined to his bed for several days by a cold was able today to discuss international questions with Secretary Lansing. He probably will be in his room for a day or two longer, however, and the usual Cabinet meeting tomorrow is expected to be cancelled.

Card of Thanks.

Mr and Mrs J Z McConnell wish to thank the neighbors and friends whose tireless help and touching sympathy helped to soften the blow that the death angel dealt in our home.
We were made to feel that service and sympathy were not lightly given and we wish to say that it will not be lightly forgotten.

Both Prodigals.

A young wife remonstrated with her husband, a dissipated spendthrift, on his conduct. "Love," said he, "I am like the prodigal son; I shall reform by and by."
"I will be like the prodigal son, too," she replied, "for I shall arise and go to my father."—Exchange.

Appropriate Error.

"I have come," said the old subscriber, "to complain about your report of my daughter's wedding."
"What was the matter with it?" demanded the editor.
"Well, her name is Gratia, but you printed it 'Gratis.'"
"That's not so bad. She was given away, wasn't she?"—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

MRS. SLACK'S LETTER

To Mothers of Delicate Children

Palmyra, Pa.—"My little girl had a chronic cough and was so thin you could count her ribs and she had no appetite. Nothing we gave her seemed to help her, until one day Mrs. Neibert asked me to try Vinol, and now she is hungry all the time, her cough is gone, she is stouter and has a more healthy color. I wish every mother who has a delicate child would try Vinol."—Mrs. ALFRED SLACK.
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MILLINERY OPENINGS
IN KINGSTREE TODAY.

SUPERIOR DISPLAYS AND REASONABLE PRICES, DESPITE THE WAR TIMES.

"A thing of beauty is a joy forever."
We beheld the one and felt the other as we peered into the stores of the Kingstree Dry Goods Co, S Marcus, and Silverman's Department Store this morning. The occasion was the annual spring opening of millinery, dress goods, ready made dresses and spring suits for ladies.
These openings are always anticipated apparently, by ladies of the community, with considerable interest, though, this season it seems to have assumed an unusual depth owing, perhaps, to the many hard luck stories concerning the scarcity of dye stuffs and other materials that are essential to women's fashions in America. Doubtless many of them had formed an impression that the spring of 1917 would bring out nothing new on this account, but if our judgment is correct the shades are even more beautiful than last year or the year before, and as the prices are probably a little more skyward than a year ago, but certainly there is nothing lacking in attractiveness of the display nor in the quality of the goods displayed. The display of millinery, dress goods and trimmings at the Kingstree Dry Goods company's store is superb. The dress goods trimmings were as dainty and as pretty, it would seem, as the textile art could make them. The store was tastily decorated so that everything showed us to excellent advantage.
Apple green and mustard seem to be the leading colors in tailored suits while all the delicate shades of the rainbow are embodied in the flimsy little evening dresses and dainty crepe de chine and silk materials intended for the artificial embellishment or habillage of the gentler sex.
At the big Silverman store the beautiful display of pattern hats, ladies' spring suits and dainty crepe de chine, georgette and other silk dresses was dazzling, and we wondered why our lady folk talk about going to Florence or Charleston or some other outlandish place to buy their spring and summer toggery. Why, it seems to us that if we only had the money we could buy everything we need in this line on Main street today and save railroad fare as well as a part of the other fellow's profits. Mr Silverman's display of ladies' ready-to-wear gowns is made up in all the leading colors as well as materials.
At Mr Marcus' store we found the usual display of beautiful Gage hats, spring dress goods, a variety of colors in crepe de chine and an unusually handsome line of ladies' ready-to-wear suits and dresses made up according to fashion's very latest dictation.
We regret that the "openings" occur on our "closing" day, for on Thursday The Record must come out and time prevents us from giving a more extended write-up of the pretty things Messrs Marcus, Swails and Silverman have placed at the disposal of our women folk.
We doubt if a more attractive line will be found in this section of the State, and, considering the general trade conditions, these merchants are certainly entitled to the praise and patronage of the surrounding community.

With Our Advertisers.

R W Lewis wants you to get your good things to eat from him and reduce the high cost of living.
The Kingstree Furniture Co has a large assortment of all kinds of chairs and invites your inspection.
T E Baggett, jeweler and optician, has a beautiful line of suitable gifts for the sweet girl graduate. He is also prepared to fit the eyes with glasses, either single or double lens.
Charlie Wong, the popular Chinese proprietor of the Wong Laundry, has moved his place of business from the telephone company's building to the old store room of Mr B F Patrick on North Academy street. See announcement in advertising columns.
The Carter Distributor Co of Elliott are advertising the famous Bemis Tobacco Transplanter in this paper. Mr J V Carter, of the firm, has temporary headquarters at Hemingway where he has this machine on sale, and will be glad to demonstrate its merits to any interested parties. See ad for further information.

We have 200 pounds of Lord Baltimore Linen Writing Paper and Envelopes, 60c value, for 45c.
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U. S. STEAMER SUNK
WITHOUT WARNING.

GERMANS REFUSE TO AID CREW AND MEN SUFFER FROM EXPOSURE IN OPEN BOATS.

London, March 14:—The American steamship Algonquin has been sunk by a German submarine. The crew was saved.
According to a later report from J G Stephens, American consul at Plymouth, the captain of the Algonquin stated that his ship was sunk by shell fire without warning.
According to later advices from Plymouth the German submarine opened fire upon the Algonquin from a distance of 4,000 yards, firing about twenty shells. These were not sufficient to sink the steamer so she was boarded by men from the submarine who placed four bombs and the Algonquin was blown up. The crew was given plenty of time to leave the vessel.
"It was just after daylight Monday when we were attacked," said the captain of the Algonquin, as reported by the press association. "There was no warning. The submarine started fire at a range of three miles. When about twenty-five shells had been fired at the Algonquin, of which four hit her forward, the crew decided to take to the boats and pulled away from the sinking vessel.
"Then the submarine approached and, with only her periscope showing, sailed around the steamer several times. Finding that the crew had abandoned the ship, the submarine came to the surface. Some of the Germans boarded the Algonquin and placed bombs aft. These were exploded, and within a quarter of an hour the steamer disappeared.
"I appealed to the submarine commander for a tow towards land, in view of the roughness of the weather, but the German gruffly replied, 'No, I am too busy.' The crew pulled away in their boats, none being injured by shell fire, but all suffered from exposure.
"All personal effects and the ship's papers were lost."

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SPRING MILLINERY OPENING.
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, MARCH 15-16.

On the above dates we shall have on exhibition the most extensive and beautiful line of Ladies' Headwear ever shown in Kingstree, in all the latest designs, at prices as low as consistent with the high quality of goods for which this store has such an enviable reputation.

Miss Frances Johnson of Snow Hill, Md., whose skill in the millinery art elicited such widespread admiration last year, is with us again and will be glad to see her many friends.

Remember the dates---Thursday and Friday, March 15 and 16---and be sure to give us a call. It will give you pleasure to see our attractive display.

The Kingstree Dry Goods Co.
The Store of Quality