

**NO SMALLPOX HERE.**

Last Case Released from Quarantine Friday Afternoon—None in Pest House.

There is no smallpox in the city. This news will be welcomed by many people in town who have been frightened during the past two weeks by the reports which have been going the rounds about town. The last cases were released from quarantine Friday afternoon by Assistant Health Officer J. H. Forbes on recommendation of the Health Officer, and now the bill of health for the town is perfectly clean. There are no contagious diseases in town at all is the report of the Assistant Health Officer.

The cases on Harvin and Liberty streets, the only two cases in town, were examined Friday and the quarantine removed. The cases at the pest house were also released from quarantine after an examination.

**Y. M. C. A. CAMP BREAKS.**

Fifteen Boys Return to City After Enjoyable Outing.

The fifteen Y. M. C. A. boys who for the past week have been on the camping trip at Cooper's Pond near Wisacky for the past week returned home Friday afternoon, none the worse for their outing, after having spent seven days full of interest and pleasure.

The boys were under the direction of Secretary Birchard of the Y. M. C. A. who enjoyed the outing as much as the others. The boys and Secretary Birchard report the trip to have been as successful as such an expedition could possibly be expected to be. The spot was a delightful one for a camp. The swimming and boating were all that could be desired, the water being high and exceptionally fine for these aquatic sports. The fishing was not good, as the water was too high, but the boys found so many things else to do that they did not give a great deal of attention to this sport. There were no accidents at all, unless a slight bruise on his finger sustained by E. I. Reardon, Jr., while handling his hatchet, could be called one. It is true that one of the scouts, while riding his wheel along the railroad track, saw a pretty girl, turned his head to look at her, as was natural, and ran into the ditch, but his injuries were not serious, save to his feelings when the girl laughed.

The people of the neighborhood treated the boys fine. Mrs. Guss Cooper and Mr. R. M. Cooper, and Mr. R. M. Cooper, Jr., and their families furnished fruit and dainties for the campers daily and the members of the camp appreciated their attentions. This domestic touch afforded the campers comfort and luxuries better than they had ever expected and made their stay delightful. Many visitors came to the camp daily and half kind words for the young scouts. Thursday evening the camp held an extemporaneous reception from afternoon until 11 o'clock at night, nearly thirty persons visiting the camp in that time.

**SECURES COMMISSION.**

J. H. Seal Ready to Commence Duties as Rural Policeman.

J. H. Seal has secured his commission as a rural policeman of Sumter county from Governor Blease and is now ready to commence his duties as rural policeman. His bond was filed some days ago and found correct.

**CAUSE OF GUN EXPLOSION.**

Firing Pin Struck Before Block was Locked at Fort Moultrie.

Washington, June 20.—The recent explosion of a four-inch coast defense gun at Fort Moultrie, near Charleston, S. C., was caused by the point of the firing pin striking the cartridge before the breech lock was locked, according to a report by the board of inquiry which investigated the explosion.

The accident resulted in the deaths of Capt. Guy B. Hanna, of the 16th Coast Artillery Corps and three privates. Three privates were wounded.

The condition which caused the disaster is said to have been one that could not easily have been observed. The announcement that the accident was due to the firing pin striking the cartridge in the closing of the breech block bears out the first theory, afterwards said to have been substantiated by the board of officers, appointed by Major A. G. Jenkins, commanding the army post. The accident occurred on Thursday night, May 22. Besides Capt. Hanna, Privates Baxter, Christian and Dalton were killed. Baxter and Christian were killed outright and Capt. Hanna and Dalton died a few hours after the bursting of the breech block. Hospital Steward Lamar and Privates Swagerty and Steinpringer were injured about the hands, arms and face. They have since recovered from their injuries.

The President will read his currency message in person—if Representative Henry does not interrupt—Philadelphia Ledger.

**CHECK ASIATIC IMMIGRATION.**

Hindus from Insular Possessions Must Prove Eligibility.

Washington, June 20.—To check further complication of Pacific coast problems by unrestrained admission of Hindus and the Malay races of Asia, to Continental United States from the American insular possessions, Secretary of Labor Wilson, on recommendation of Commissioner General of Immigration Caminetti, today made a far-reaching amendment to the immigration regulations.

The modification authorizes immigration officials at mainland ports "to reject aliens coming from the insular possessions unless it should appear that at the time of entry thereto they were not members of the excluded classes or likely to become public charges."

This action was the outcome of the cases of three Hindus, who arrived at San Francisco from the Philippines and were detained on the ground that they might become public charges. The circumstances in this case, however, caused Secretary Wilson to authorize the admission of the Hindus today.

Commissioner General Caminetti today explained that the regulations were amended to empower immigration authorities on the mainland to pass on the eligibility of Hindus coming from the insular possessions, because there is an obvious difference between an alien supporting himself in the United States.

As the law does not specifically differentiate between entries in the United States and the insular possessions, officials anticipate litigation over the amended regulations, unless Congress confirms them by statute.

**A COUNTY FARM BUREAU.**

More Than 800 Counties in United States Have Tried Them.

"Over 800 counties in the United States have begun the organization of county farm bureaus. About 160 have completed organizations with a paid agriculturist in charge."

This statement is contained in 'The County Agent' of Chicago, a monthly publication for the collection and dissemination of information regarding scientific agriculture and community development, received yesterday by Hazlett N. Clark, secretary of the Columbia Chamber of Commerce.

"This paper contains information showing that the idea of a county agriculturalist is not an experiment but that the system has been successfully carried out in other sections of the country," said Secretary Clark, discussing the movement that has been launched in Richland county. Interest in the matter of securing an agricultural expert for this county is increasing. The farmers are interested and they are going to get every farmer possible to join the movement for the general improvement of rural conditions. Several meetings have been held in Columbia at which plans for securing the expert were considered. The movement is under the direction of the central committee of the Chamber of Commerce. At the last meeting there were about 60 farmers present and the next meeting will be held on the Taylor farm near Columbia. Every one present Wednesday will try to bring several new members for the cooperative meeting at an early date. Selection of an expert agriculturist will be made by the Chamber of Commerce committee some time in August.—The State.

**Three Gettysburg Veterans.**

Ex-Sheriff W. H. Epperson and Mr. Benjamin M. Powell will probably be the representatives of Sumter County's contingent of Confederate Veterans at Gettysburg. Both of these have received checks from General B. H. Teague to pay the railroad fare to and from Gettysburg.

Ex-Sheriff W. H. Epperson stated several days ago that he would certainly take the trip. He will visit his daughter, Mrs. Dawes for some time, while on the trip and later will go to see another daughter at Philadelphia. Mr. Powell has been sick recently and it is doubtful if he is able to stand the trip, but he stated that he was very anxious to go and hoped to recover sufficiently before the time came to visit the famous battleground. In Sumter there are three veterans of the battle. Mr. Powell, who was in McGowan's Brigade; and Messrs. W. P. Smith and Tom Burkett, who lost a leg in the battle, who were in Kershaw's Brigade.

**Sunday School Picnic.**

The Sunday School scholars of the Presbyterian Church Sunday school and a large number of church members and their friends spent Friday at Pocollo, enjoying an all-day picnic. Various games were played during the morning and boating and swimming were enjoyable features of the day's amusement.

A big picnic dinner was served, the feature of the day which old and young alike found most interesting and delightful.

**A SHORT PEACH CROP.**

Big Peaches of Fine Flavor This Year. Says State Entomologist.

Atlanta, June 20.—A short peach crop, but one of the finest quality, is State Entomologist Lee Worsham's prediction of the outcome of this Georgia product.

Mr. Worsham is far more optimistic than the commission men as to the quality of the fruit, but he estimates the crop shorter than either the railroad men or the big fruit dealers.

The State entomologist predicts that only thirteen hundred carloads of peaches will be gathered, while the railroad officials and produce men have predicted from 1,500 to 1,700.

The trees are in fine condition, and because there are fewer peaches on each tree the individual peaches are certain to be larger than usual and of very fine flavor, provided, of course, Jupiter Pluvius doesn't "butt in" and dilute the glucose (if that is the word.) The State entomologist opines that contrary reports have related to the inferior fruit shipped so far. He was referring to the "Greensboros" and "Mayflowers."

"Miss Elberta" should come out fine later in the season, and command good prices, says he.

The first peaches brought from \$1.50 to \$2.25 a crate, and retailed on an average at 60 cents per basket.

There are no peaches to be had here now, according to two of Atlanta's commission men.

**CHIEF OF STATISTICS OUSTED.**

Victor H. Olmstead Suspended by Secretary Houston.

Washington, June 18.—Victor H. Olmstead, chief of the bureau of statistics of the department of agriculture, was suspended today by Secretary Houston pending an inquiry into charges of lack of discipline and poor administration in the bureau. It was officially stated that there was no suspicion of leaks in crop reports similar to the famous "cotton leak" a few years ago, which resulted in a complete overhauling of the office. Numerous complaints of favoritism, resulting in dissatisfaction, confusion and inability to maintain proper discipline led to the charges. It was said.

The solicitor of the department already has started an investigation and to avoid any suggestion of collusion Secretary Houston decided it would be better for Mr. Olmstead to be out of the office during the inquiry. The investigation is likely to result, it was suggested by an official, in the transfer of the entire bureau of statistics to the census bureau. Some changes already had been made as a result of the complaints which led to today's action, but these, it was said, had only accentuated the general dissatisfaction at the chief's administrative methods.

**Miss McKiever Entertains.**

Miss Katy McKiever entertained last Thursday morning in honor of her attractive young guest, Miss Nancy Lee Simmons of Martinsville, Va. During the morning the guests were pleasantly entertained with music, and a number of games were indulged in; among them "Bunco" in which Misses Margie Monaghan and Alethea Reardon tied for the prize. The prize was drawn for to break the tie and was won by Miss Reardon, who presented it to Miss Simmons, the guest of honor.

A delightful salad course, with ice tea was served by little Misses Helen Bultman and Margaret McKiever, assisted by Master George McKiever.

Those attending were Misses Margie Monaghan, Martie Boyle, Agnes Haynsworth, Franceska Teicher, Isadore Teicher, Adel Bowman, Hassie Parrott, Julia Wright, Alethea Reardon, Bertha Bultman, Alice Moses, Florence Shaw, Lydia Richardson, Eileen Hurst, Sue Duffie, Mabel Randall, of Sumter; Misses Mamie Nash, of Charlotte, N. C.; Ina Singleton, of Washington, D. C.; Aileen O'Donnell, of Anderson, S. C.; Helen Wood, of Darlington, S. C.; and Martha Murchison of Camden, S. C.

**For Miss Curlee.**

Miss Adele Pitts entertained Thursday evening in honor of her charming guest, Miss Agnes Curlee of Winnsboro, one of Miss Pitts' classmates at Winthrop college. Nearly fifty young folks gathered for the occasion, which proved a delightful one. In order that her guests might become better acquainted and as a feature of the amusement of the evening conversation cards were given out and filled shortly after the guests arrived, the program during the rest of the evening being to change partners at set intervals thereafter.

Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served and much enjoyed.

Out-of-town guests besides Miss Curlee were Miss Ina Singleton of Washington and Miss Helen Woods of Darlington and Mr. A. C. Dick of Hartsville.

**Marriage License Record.**

A license to marry has been issued to Richard Myers and Carrie Bowen, of Sumter.

**WILL ATTACK HOG CHOLERA.**

Deadly Porcine Disease Cost Country Sixty Million Dollars Last Year.

Washington, June 20.—Under a special appropriation of \$75,000 made by congress "for demonstrating the best method of preventing and eradicating hog cholera," the United States department of agriculture has undertaken practical experiments in combating this disease.

A few years ago the bureau of animal industry of the department of agriculture, after years of experimentation, developed a serum which has been demonstrated by repeated tests to be very effective in preventing hog cholera. In many States this serum has been prepared and distributed to farmers with the result that large sums of money have been saved to the farmers, but thus far no systematic effort has been made to eradicate hog cholera. In the work which is now begun the control and eradication of the disease will be the main object, the serum being used in connection with the necessary quarantine and educational measures.

For beginning this work the department has selected Dallas County, Iowa. Representatives of the Iowa State College and of the bureau of animal industry will make a survey of the county, estimating the losses from hog cholera during previous years, and securing the names of hog owners. Through lectures and demonstrations at farmers' meetings and by personal interviews they will explain to the farmers the object and nature of the work. The State veterinarian will enforce such restrictive regulations as may be deemed necessary, after conference with Federal officials, to prevent the spread of the disease. The bureau of animal industry will prepare and apply the serum and will undertake to control each outbreak of hog cholera existing in the county at the time the work begins, and also such subsequent outbreaks as may arise during the year. The serum treatment is preventive and arrestive rather than curative.

Hog cholera causes heavier direct losses than any other animal disease in this country. The losses for last year are estimated at \$60,000,000. In the face of a short supply and high prices of meat it is imperative that something be done to check this disease. Armed with an effective preventive treatment the department of agriculture hopes to demonstrate a method which can be applied on a larger scale throughout the infected regions, so as to control and eventually to eradicate hog cholera.

**MORE MONEY NEEDED.**

Garrison Asks for a Larger Appropriation.

Washington, June 19.—Secretary Garrison today asked the congressional military committee to guarantee an additional appropriation to take care of the Union and Confederate veterans at the 50th anniversary of the battle of Gettysburg next month.

Those in charge of the celebration notified the secretary that 50,000 veterans would be there instead of 40,000 as at first anticipated.

To provide tentage, subsistence, medicines and general care of the increased number about \$25,000 more than the \$150,000 appropriated will be needed. Assistant Secretary Breckenridge has gone to Gettysburg to canvass the situation.

**KILLED LANDLADY BY MISTAKE.**

Realizing Awfulness of Situation Boarder Attempts Suicide.

Bowie, La., June 18.—Awakening suddenly from a sound sleep by her entrance into his room, Abraham Blanchard today shot and killed Mrs. W. L. Walters, proprietress of a local hotel, where Blanchard was a guest. Realizing what he had done he turned the weapon upon himself, inflicting a wound which will probably prove fatal. Thinking the room unoccupied Mrs. Walters went in to leave some linen.

**May Run Dairy Train.**

Columbia, June 19.—The Southern Railway will probably operate a dairy train through South Carolina this summer. Col. E. J. Watson, state commissioner of agriculture, commerce and industries, is in receipt of a letter from C. M. Morgan, who has charge of the dairy and poultry publicity department of the system, asking if the train run in this State about a year ago achieved any material results. Colonel Watson said he is of the opinion that the dairy exhibitions conducted by the Southern were productive of much good, and that they were a stimulus to the farmers of the State in improved methods of dairying.

The A. B. C. Club entertained its members Thursday evening at a picnic at Cain's Savannah, practically all of the club members being present and a most enjoyable evening being spent. A picnic supper was served and was much enjoyed by those present as the tide had sharpened their appetites.

**ENVOYS SPEND BUSY DAY.**

Japanese Call on President and Talk With Bryan; Visit Chamber of Commerce.

Washington, June 19.—A call upon President Wilson, a luncheon conference with Secretary Bryan and a visit to the headquarters of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States made this a busy day for the four commercial envoys from Japan, here on a mission of peace.

The visit to the White House, though brief, was long enough for Dr. Soyeda, who heads the delegation, unofficially to give the president his view of the California alien land act situation. At the luncheon with Secretary Bryan the visitors are said to have talked freely regarding the California difficulty and to have given their host a comprehensive resume of their view of conditions in the West and also the general feeling in Japan over the passage of the land act.

Details of the conference at the Chamber of Commerce of the United States were not made public but it is understood that the Japanese envoys laid before the officials the plan to enlist the great commercial bodies of America in an effort to bring about a friendly settlement of the California trouble. Two members of the party, Messrs. Shima and Abeko, left today for New York and from there will return to their homes on the Pacific coast. Dr. Soyeda and Mr. Kamiya will remain in Washington for several days before going to New York. They have not announced the date of their return to Tokyo.

**EVERETT CAR BURNED.**

Machine Belonging to R. C. McNeal Destroyed by Fire Wednesday Night.

An Everett touring car belonging to Mr. R. C. McNeal, a well known lumber man of this city, was burned up Wednesday night just beyond Pocollo, the steel frame of the car being all that was left after the fire had done its work.

Mr. McNeal was out of town today and information concerning the origin of the fire could not be obtained. The car was in good shape and the loss will prove a heavy one.

**EIGHTY WOMEN BURNED.**

Russians Set Fire to Barn Housing Women Brought to Work.

St. Petersburg, June 19.—Eighty women were burned to death today by villagers enraged at the importation of cheap girl labor to work on a sugar estate in the district of Pirtain in the province of Poltava, southern Russia, according to the Kiev newspaper Liambin.

The excited villagers first securely fastened all the means of exit from a wooden barn in which the girls were housed. Then they set fire to the building while the inmates were asleep and all were burned to death without a chance to escape.

Secretary to Boom Bishopville's Business.

Leader and Vicindicator. Prof. W. T. McGowan has been engaged by the Bishopville Chamber of Commerce as secretary during the summer months, and has already entered upon his duties. He will inaugurate a campaign of publicity to show the advantages of Bishopville and Lee county. Efforts will be made to locate some industrial enterprises here, but before that can be done the natural resources and inducements of the town and county must be shown to advantage. It is up to every citizen to aid the secretary in every way possible, and hasten the work.

**Car Damaged by Fire.**

Thursday night about 9 o'clock a car belonging to Dr. P. B. O'Neal, caught fire and was somewhat damaged before the blaze could be extinguished by the chemical engine which was ordered out from the fire department house for this purpose. It seems that the gasoline had been leaking from the car and dripping on the ground underneath. Someone is supposed to have thrown a lighted match near the gasoline which caught fire. The wiring of the car was all that was injured.

**Omitted from the Honor Roll.**

Through a mistake in compiling the record the name of Lalla Lee Lucius, sixth grade, Hampton school, was omitted from the recent publication of the city schools honor roll. She has never been tardy during the six years she has been in the school, and her name should have been included in the honor roll published.

**Mistrial in Liquor Case.**

The case against Sallie McDonald, a negro woman charged with storing liquor, was heard in the Recorder's Court Friday afternoon, approximately one year after the offence took place. The case has been hanging on for nearly a year, and at last came to trial, only to result in a mistrial. Mr. D. D. Moise represented the woman, while Mr. J. H. Clifton represented the city.

**MALE SUFFRAGETTE INJURED.**

Weak Minded Man Leaps on Race Track.

Ascot, Eng., June 19.—The race for the Ascot gold cup, one of the most coveted prizes of the English turf, was marred today by an accident similar to that which brought the king's horse down in the Derby when Emily Wilding Davidson sought and found death in the cause of the militant suffragettes. In this case it was a man, Harold Hewitt, who emulated Miss Davidson's feat.

According to the Ascot police, Hewitt was not connected with the suffragettes but was of unsound mind and of a type peculiarly liable to be carried away by the imitative impulse. He suffered the same penalty for his temerity as did Miss Davidson—a fracture at the base of the skull.

At a late hour tonight Hewitt was lying unconscious in a hospital after undergoing an operation in the forlorn hope that his life might be saved.

King George and Queen Mary, ex-King Manuel of Portugal, the crown prince and crown princess of Sweden, the Duke of Connaught, governor general of Canada, and Princess Patricia and a number of lesser royalties were watching the race from the royal stand.

Coming down the straight, August Belmont's famous colt Tracery, a son of Rock Sand, shot into the lead, seemingly assured of an easy victory.

Suddenly a man jumped from the rails waving a red flag with one hand and with the other pointing a revolver at Jockey Whalley, who had the mount on Tracery.

"Pull up! Pull up! or I'll shoot you!" the man shouted.

Whalley did his best to divert the horse's course but failed. Tracery, striking the man full in the chest with his shoulder, sent him flying several yards. Whalley shot clear out of the saddle but rolled to safety under the rail.

Meantime the other horses came thundering on, one of them giving the author of all the trouble, who lay sprawling, a terrible kick on the head in passing.

Save for some bruises, Whalley was uninjured, and when the king sent for him he walked stiffly to the royal box to receive congratulations on his escape.

Hewitt is about 50 years of age. According to the police, he is a cultured man and is possessed of independent means. He had, however, shown evidences of religious mania. He had a diary in which the last entry was made a few hours before his mad act. It read:

"Oh, the wickedness of these races! If I fail in my intention to stop the gold cup, I hope I shall not hurt any of these jockeys. These races bring out all that is worst in humanity."

In another record he refers to his intention "to give my body as a protest against society convention."

The Ascot cup was won by the 5-year-old Prince Palatine, owned by T. Pickington. The race was at two and a half miles, with 3,500 sovereigns added.

**Partisan Leaders' Monument.**

Columbia, June 20.—Permission to erect on the State House grounds a monument to Marion, Pickens and Sumter, the partisan generals of the Revolutionary war, was granted to the central committee of the D. A. R. today by the committee on State House and grounds. The committee have fixed on November 15 as the date for the unveiling of the monument and will invite President Wilson to make the address. If another date suits him the unveiling will be made to meet his convenience. The monument will stand opposite Trinity Church and will be erected by funds raised by the D. A. R. The legislature appropriated \$2,000 for the base of this monument, the monument is being made in Paris. The committee from the D. A. R. consists of Mrs. F. Louise Mayes, State regent general; Miss Alice M. Earle, Mrs. Malvina Sarah Waring, Mrs. Sarah Aldrich Richardson and Mrs. Rebecca Pickens Bacon. George R. Rembert, of Columbia, appeared for the committee, the request also being endorsed by Governor Blease.

**Informal Dance.**

An informal dance was given in the Armory Hall Thursday evening, dancing being continued until 1 o'clock. There were a number of young men and ladies present to enjoy the occasion. Schumacher's Orchestra furnished delightful music.

**Miss Bowman Entertains.**

Miss Molly Bowman entertained a large number of her young friends Wednesday evening at her home on Hampton avenue, the occasion proving a most delightful one for all present. Delightful refreshments were served.

A girl knows what a hat pin is for, but so far as a rolling pin is concerned, she will innocently declare that she never saw a pin that would roll.—Wilmington Star.