

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. James Witherspoon, of Salt Lake City, Utah, is visiting relatives at his old home near Mayesville.

Mrs. R. O. Purdy, R. D. Epps, Walter Bradford and W. H. Bryan have returned from Charleston, where they went in attendance upon the federal court.

Dr. Miller, Mrs. W. C. Hane, Mrs. T. T. Egan, of Fort Motte, and Mrs. Tomlinson, and Miss Clara Tennant of Sumner were visitors to Sumter yesterday.

Mr. James Pitts is at home from Richmond, where he has been attending business college.

Miss Margaret Anderson of Mayesville and Annie Blackwell of Sumter are the guests of Mrs. W. J. Anderson.—Florence Times.

Miss Viola Mae Land, who has been spending the past six months with Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Kreamer on Oakland Avenue, has returned to her home in Wallonia, S. C.

Dr. W. B. Thayer has returned from Baltimore.

Miss Lottie Ibrahim has gone to Mobile to visit friends.

Mr. A. E. Stucky and family have moved to Danah, where they will remain during the summer.

Mr. A. J. Stubbs is visiting relatives in Oxford, N. C.

Mrs. J. J. McSwain and daughter of Taylorsville were in the city today.

Miss Mabel Booth is expected home from Cedar Mountain, N. C., this afternoon.

Mr. Clifton Walsh left on Tuesday for Charlotte to join her husband at that place. She has been visiting at St. Charles for several weeks before her departure for her new home.

Mrs. J. P. Marion, Mrs. J. P. Marion, Sr., and Miss Mary Marion left this week for Saluda, where they will spend the summer. They were accompanied by Rev. J. P. Marion, who remained a few days while they were being settled in their home.

Mrs. F. B. Hamilton and family have gone to Hendersonville, N. C., where they will spend the summer.

Miss Beane and Marie Nash, of Charlotte, are visiting relatives in the city.

Dois From Dark Corner.

I. T. Corner, June 15.—Side dressing and pea planting are on. Pea planting is going on in both the stubble land and the corn fields. Corn has gotten both look healthy, though I hear complaint of lice on the cotton. Corn is small, but looks as green and healthy as I have ever seen it at this season. Oats and wheat are about harvested, and the crop was a short one.

Mrs. John T. Turner was stricken down with paralysis last Tuesday, the 14th, while Mr. Turner was at the veterans dinner in Sumter. She was only paralyzed in her left side. She has good use of her mind and tongue and she is getting so now she can walk around a little, without any assistance.

Mr. J. E. Johnston's child seems to be about the same, and Mr. T. H. Owen has improved, but little from the fall he got about six weeks ago.

Mrs. W. J. Ardis still has the rheumatism and neuralgia in her back and head.

J. T. Turner and W. J. Ardis were all who attended the old Confederate veterans dinner on the 6th. The dinner and all pertaining to it was all a success. May kind heaven smile upon those who furnished it and so nobly waited on our old boys. It almost made me think that we were not in the way, if we were old and gray headed.

In speaking of the scarcity of vegetables I see one of your scribes, Mr. Editor, remarks that "Hard Times" had come again. I will say like the old song: "Hard times have come and gone no more" when it comes to vegetables, peaches or huckleberries hereabouts.

The mulatto gang, the yellow flies, are with us again and it is with difficulty that we can read or write they are so pestering.

Politics is still cool in this corner. The young folks had a lively time at Mr. J. Ardis' taking honey last week. I suppose he took three or four hundred pounds of the sweet stuff. I will ring off and fight yellow flies.

"Hard Times."

Adams-Dollard.

Miss Theima C. Adams and Mr. R. Mead Dollard were married Tuesday evening at 8:30 o'clock at the home of the bride's mother on Oakland Avenue in the presence of the members of the families of the contracting parties, the Rev. J. W. Guy, pastor of the Salem Baptist Church, officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Dollard left after the ceremony to go to Augusta, where they will spend a week or ten days, returning to their home at Sumter.

ORATORIC KEYNOTE SOUNDS

CONVENTION CHEERS AS GLYNN OF NEW YORK TELLS WHAT WILSON HAS DONE.

Peace and Prosperity Have Been Diffused Throughout Whole Country Under Democratic Regime, and Preparedness is Becoming an Actuality.

St. Louis, June 14.—The Democratic national convention at its first session today heard the keynote of Americanism and peace, preparedness and prosperity sounded by Former Gov. Glynn of New York as temporary chairman, and with a high pitch of enthusiasm, its approval of President Wilson's peaceful conduct of foreign conduct of foreign affairs.

The convention, which had got underway with such perfunctory demonstrations as mark every gathering of the kind, soon stirred itself into roaring cheers as Chairman Glynn cited historic parallels to show that other presidents, including Republicans, had adjusted threatening foreign situations without resort to war.

"The policy of the administration," he declared, "has been just as American as the American flag itself."

As he went down the list of presidents recounting their actions to avoid war the delegates caught the spirit of his argument and as he referred to each particular president some delegate would call:

"What did he do?"

"He settled the trouble by negotiation," was the reply which Glynn invariably returned and the convention would roar its approval.

William J. Bryan, as a newspaper correspondent in the press stand, wept with emotion as Mr. Glynn pictured the victories of peace, but he laughed with the crowd when a Texas delegate, interrupting Mr. Glynn, leaped to his chair and cried: "And don't forget that policy also is satisfactory to William Jennings Bryan."

Aside from a 14-minute demonstration which began when Chairman Glynn predicted President Wilson's reelection, Mr. Glynn's speech was sprinkled with demonstrations which he found it difficult to stem so that he could go on. It was plain that the telling points for the delegates were the recital of President Wilson's efforts to keep the country at peace.

"This policy," he said, "may not satisfy the freer and swashbuckler, but it does satisfy the mothers of the land at whose hearts and firesides jingoistic war has placed no empty chair. It does satisfy the daughters of this land from whom bluster and brag have sent no loving brother to the dissolution of the grave. It does satisfy the fathers of this land and the sons of this land who will fight for our flag and die for our flag when reason primes the rifle, when honor draws the sword and when justice breathes a blessing on the standard they uphold." The last of the words were drowned out in a roar of applause that swept the Coliseum.

"Repeat it!" cried the delegates.

"Repeat it!"

"All right; be quiet and I'll repeat it," responded Mr. Glynn, and he did to applause.

No other president since the War of Secession, Mr. Glynn told the convention, has faced such crucial problems; none has displayed a grasp of statesmanship more profound.

"Whether the course the country has pursued during this crucial period is to be continued and whether the principles that have been asserted as our national policy shall be indorsed or withdrawn," Mr. Glynn told the convention, was the paramount question for the voters to decide.

"No lesser issues must cloud it," said he. "No unrelated problems must confuse it."

After hearing the keynote speech the convention adjourned until 11 o'clock tomorrow. Committees then went into session to prepare the work for the convention.

Today the big Coliseum, holding about 12,000 people, was practically filled and despite a constantly rising temperature it was fairly comfortable. On their way to the convention hall the delegates passed between lines of suffragists spread along 12 blocks of Locust street, the most traveled route to the Coliseum. The suffragists seated on chairs ranged along the curbs were arrayed in white and yellow and held yellow parasols. The waving lines of yellow gave the demonstration the popular name, "The Golden Lane."

BUILDING THE PLATFORM.

St. Louis, June 15.—President Wilson's tentative draft of the Democratic platform contains a plank favoring the extension of woman suffrage, but says this is essentially a question for each State to decide. Secretary Baker picks Senators Hollis, Pomerene, Martin, Walsh and Stone and Representatives Fitzgerald, Rainey, A. Mitchell Palmer and Gov. Stanley of Kentucky, to take charge of Wilson's draft when it goes before the resolutions committee. They are five to four against the suffrage plank.

UNIVERSITY ENDS GOOD YEAR.

OVER ONE HUNDRED YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN RECEIVE DEGREES.

Rev. R. H. Bennett of Emory University Delivers Literary Address—Presents Strong Appeal for Life Plan Built Upon High Ideals.

Columbia, June 15.—The 111th year of the University of South Carolina came to an end yesterday with the annual graduating exercises in the morning and the June ball last night.

The Rev. R. H. Bennett, D. D., of Emory university presented a strong lesson in his literary address before the graduating classes. "I am going to give you a few arrow heads pointing to success," said Dr. Bennett, and he urged that the young men and young women go forth on the battlefield of life with a fixed purpose, with a fixed motive, with the idea of service securely lodged in their minds, with an everlasting determination to succeed, regardless of obstacles, and always remembering that only a pure character is a strong one.

"The successful life must have a purpose," said Dr. Bennett. He urged the graduates to aim for the top of the mountain, having a fixed motive for reaching that lofty point. "The top of the mountain belongs to you," he said, "but in climbing to the top remember always that the great exemplar is Jesus Christ."

For a man to plan his life for himself alone would be for that man to deliberately waste his powers, according to Dr. Bennett.

Dr. Bennett urged his hearers not to make wealth the prime objective of their lives. He said that making a living should not be one's ambition, but rather making a life, and that if life was made, the living would follow. He stressed his appeal not to make the dollar the mountain to climb.

Two of the senior speakers, D. S. Poller and H. C. Brearley, did not deliver their orations, the first having been excused at his request for satisfactory reasons, the latter suffering with sore throat. J. D. Featherstone of Greenwood, a graduate of the academic school and of the law school, spoke on "The Call of the Times" and J. L. Love of York, a graduate of the law school, spoke on "The Lawyer as a Public Servant." The valedictorian was J. McB. Dabbs of Mayesville.

The Joseph Daniel Pope medal for the best essay on "Equity" written by a member of the senior law class, was won by Shannon Wallace. The presentation was made by J. Nelson Frieron, professor in the school of law.

Two honorary degrees were conferred. Prof. James I. McCain of Erskine college was given a doctor of letters, and Prof. William Cain of the University of North Carolina was given a doctor of laws degree.

William Spencer Currell, president of the University, said that he could not let the fine body of young men and young women leave the university without a final word from him, and he paid tribute to their work and to their part in making this year at Carolina what it has been.

Dr. Currell announced that hereafter students would be admitted on 12 units but that the other two to make a total of 14 units must be made up in the college in addition to the regular college work before a degree would be conferred. In case a student comes from a school of 14 or more units, then 14 units will be required for entrance. Dr. Currell announced that the university would reopen September 20.

Degrees of bachelor of arts, bachelor of science, bachelor of laws, civil engineer, master of arts, and licentiate of instruction were conferred upon more than one hundred young ladies and gentlemen for successful work.

The degree of bachelor of arts was conferred upon Harrington Cooper Brearley of St. Charles and J. McB. Dabbs of Salem.

THREE GREAT CONVENTIONS.

Special Excursion Fares from Sumter, New York City.

Account National Educational convention. Tickets will be sold June 29, 30 and July 1, limited returning until July 12. Fare \$24.60, via all rail and \$24.25 via Norfolk.

Baltimore, Md.

Account Grand Lodge Elks (B. P. O. E.) Tickets will be sold July 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, limited returning until July 19. Fare \$17.15.

Buffalo, N. Y.

Account Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Imperial Council. Tickets will be sold July 8, 9 and 10, limited returning until July 23. Fare \$30.05.

For schedules, reservations and more detailed information, call on O. V. Player, Ticket Agent, Sumter, Atlantic Coast Line, The Standard Railroad of the South.—Adv't.

A license to marry has been granted to J. J. Martin of Sumner and Miss Belva B. Broadway of Paxville.

SWEARINGEN IN ROLL.

Reviews Progress of Educational System.

Columbia, June 14.—John E. Swearingen, State superintendent of education, filed his pledge yesterday as candidate for re-election. This year as in previous campaigns Mr. Swearingen will make equal school facilities for all children the first plank in his platform. This policy, Mr. Swearingen emphasizes, was adopted in 1909 and has grown steadily until it has reached 717 districts through the term extension law, 562 districts through the rural graded school law, 136 districts through the school building law and 311 through the contingent fund and needy school provision.

Concerning the growth in the number of school districts voting special taxes during the last eight years Mr. Swearingen points out that this number has grown from 550 to 1,600. Mr. Swearingen also points out that 70 per cent. of the white children never enter the fifth grade. Other equally surprising figures are that but 10 per cent. get into the high schools and 5 per cent. go to college. Continuing, Mr. Swearingen said:

"A minimum term of seven months and a maximum enrollment of 50 pupils to the teacher ought to be provided in every school. The money to pay the cost ought to be raised by a county school tax and by a State school tax. The widespread misconception that the three-mill constitutional tax is a State tax ought to be corrected. Every cent of this tax is spent in the county where it is collected, hence this three-mill tax is in fact a county tax. County limits are too narrow a basis for a State school system.

"The local option compulsory attendance law needs strengthening in some particulars. Its acceptance by cities, towns, rural communities and mill villages shows that it is both practical and serviceable. The extension of the policy is merely a question of time and information."

MRS. E. D. HARDEN DROPS DEAD.

Crops Behind Near Bishopville—St. Matthews Sunday School Growing.

Bishopville, June 12.—The crops of this section are very much behind. There is no cotton up to amount to anything. Mr. Woodhard has the prettiest piece of cotton the writer has seen. The gardens are a failure almost. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wingate have a very pretty garden, beans, squashes, okra, peas and corn, are especially fine. They just happen to be lucky.

There is a lot of sickness in this vicinity, especially among the children. The little 15-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wingate has been very ill for 4 weeks, but, we are very glad to say, he is improving a little.

Mrs. E. D. Harden fell dead Friday afternoon from acute indigestion caused from eating two onions. The interment took place at St. Matthews church Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock. This is a very sad death as the deceased leaves two little children, the baby being only ten months old. When she fell dead, she had the baby in her arms and fell on it, injuring it severely.

We are very glad to see the St. Matthews church growing so rapidly. It has been newly repaired and painted. We have a nice Sunday school, with Mr. Leon Holland superintendent and Mr. J. H. Wingate, Jr., secretary. We would like to have all those that can and will come and join our Sunday school.

Miss Dora Wingate spent Friday and Saturday with her sister, Mrs. C. S. Dority of Lucknow.

Mrs. Roney Reynolds was the guest of Mrs. J. H. Wingate, Jr., on Saturday afternoon.

In the Police Court.

Jimmie Davis, petit larceny, stealing pigeons, plead guilty and given sentence of \$25 or 30 days.

Pinckney Thompson, reckless driving of auto, found guilty and made to pay for damage to vehicle.

Candidate's Cards.

Announcements of candidates will be printed in this column until the close of the campaign for \$5. No cards accepted on credit.

House of Representatives.

I hereby offer myself a candidate for the House of Representatives from Sumter County, subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.

C. E. STUBBS.

At the request of my friends I announce myself as a candidate for the 7th Magisterial District, subject to the rules of the Democratic party. I am in the race to a finish if I don't get but one vote.

T. P. SANDERS, JR.

SUMTER COTTON MARKET.

Corrected Daily by Ernest Field, Cotton Buyer.

Good Middling 12 7-8.
Strict Middling 12 5-8.
Middling 12 3-8.
Strict Low Middling 11 7-8.
Low Middling 11 3-8.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Yest'dys
Jan.	13.08	.20	.07	.19	.09
Feb.	13.23	.36	.23	.34	.25
July	12.66	.83	.66	.81	.71
Oct.	12.85	.98	.83	.95	.87
Dec.	13.00	13.13	13.00	13.00	13.03

Miss Theima Bultman is at home from college to spend the summer.

\$1.25

To Charleston and Return.

Largest Excursion of Season

Thursday, June 22d,

VIA

ATLANTIC COAST LINE RAILROAD

Don't forget the date. A dip in the surf is only one of the many attractions at The Isle of Palms or Sullivan's Island. A visit to the Historical City of Charleston is worth many times the price of a ticket.

Train leaves Sumter 8:45 a. m. and leaves Charleston 8:00 p. m. returning.

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VIA

ATLANTIC COAST LINE RAILROAD

TUESDAY, JUNE 20th, 1916

Train Leaves Sumter at 8.50 A. M.

Fare For The Round Trip **75c.**

W. J. CRAIG, P. T. M. T. C. WHITE, G. P. A.

Mrs. Frank Niernsee and grand-children, Frank and Elizabeth, have gone to Washington to visit the former's daughter, Mrs. Helen Slater.

SEASHORE ROUND TRIP FARES

From Sumter

SUNDAY Excursion Fares

\$1.75 to Charleston.

Tickets on sale for forenoon trains on each Sunday from June 11 to September 11, inclusive, limited returning on train No. 178 scheduled to leave Charleston 8:25 p. m., on Sunday the day of sale.

WEEK END Excursion Fares

\$4.60 to Wilmington.

\$3.30 to Isle of Palms.

\$3.30 to Sullivan's Island.

\$4.60 to Myrtle Beach.

Tickets on sale for all trains on each Saturday and for forenoon trains on each Sunday from May 27 to September 11, inclusive, limited returning to reach original starting point prior to midnight of Tuesday next following date of sale.

SUMMER Excursion Fares

\$7.10 to Wrightsville Beach.

\$4.65 to Isle of Palms.

\$4.65 to Sullivan's Island.

\$6.75 to Myrtle Beach.

\$13.70 to Norfolk.

Tickets on sale from May 15 to October 15, inclusive, limited returning until October 31. Liberal stop-over privileges.

Schedules and further particulars cheerfully furnished upon application to

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