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The call for volunteers has come. It is true that the call is not by President Wilson for new companies and new regiments, but the need for men is so great that the call has spread. South Carolina has been asked to furnish two full regiments of militia, and these regiments, now mobilized as they need at least one thousand additional men to fill the ranks to the full war strength. Those who feel the call of duty and desire to serve their state and nation in the army should respond promptly to Gov. Manning's call for recruits to fill the ranks of the First and Second regiments.

The efforts of the Latin-American republics to prevent hostilities between the United States and Mexico by mediation may postpone a formal declaration of war for a few days, but there exists now no reasonable ground for the hope that war may be avoided. The time for watchful waiting and forbearance on the part of the United States has passed and Mexico must be brought to terms by the exercise of force. Mexico has no responsible civil government and it would be both useless and foolish to entertain any further proposition from Carranza and his revolutionary leaders looking to the pacification of the country and the establishment of an orderly government guaranteeing the safety of the border. The only government that Mexico has today is one of brute force that is neither respected nor obeyed by the Mexican people except in the immediate presence of the armed bands that yield a degree of obedience to the various leaders who cooperate with Carranza, Villa and Zapata. There is no government with which the United States can treat or enter into an agreement that would be worth consideration. Carranza is an impotent figure head, insofar as civil authority is concerned, and he appears to have reached the desperate determination to risk everything on the honor of war with the United States, hoping thereby to consolidate the Mexican factions in unity against Americans. He failed to pacify Mexico when he had the friendship and support of the United States and in the present he cannot carry out any promises that he makes. He has a lot of bloodthirsty bandits on his hands and he can get them to fight as long as he can supply them with arms and ammunition and there is the prospect of plunder to be obtained. In the circumstances it is not surprising that he seeks to provoke the United States to war. The United States may as well force the situation and promptly meet Carranza's threats of war with the invasion of Mexico with an army strong enough to pacify and police the country.

**Rembert News Notes.**  
 Rembert, June 24.—The recent rains of this week all passed around us, as we would have had, but a shower would be welcome.  
 At present everybody has the best corn crop.  
 There is an old darkey up here, Jim McCaw, who used to belong to Dr. Mellette, who called him "Bull Frog" that is one of the best farmers in these diggings, and there is another, Sim Davis, who can have more dirt turned in one day than most men.  
 Talking about good farmers, W. J. Spencer is one. How about Brooks Emanuel? Hasn't he got his place in fine shape?  
 Cotton blooms have been here the longest.  
 Poor gardens, few black berries, no peaches or apples, hard times.  
 Prof. Virgil Corbett, principal of the Denver high school, is attending the summer school at Rock Hill. Prof. Harold Langtry is there also.  
 Misses Beale Crosswell of Dalzell and Ida Truesdale of Providence, spent yesterday, Friday, with Miss Courtenay Atkinson.  
 Miss Courtenay Atkinson leaves next week to attend summer school at Columbia.  
 "Hagood."  
 Rub-My-Tism—Antiseptic, Anodyne—Kills pain, stops putrefaction.

**JAPANESE WON'T AID MEXICO.**  
 Baron Ishii Ridicules Suggestion That Island Empire Has Axe to Grind Now.  
 Tokyo, June 23.—"Of course any claim that the Japanese government will assist Mexicans with munitions and arms is out of the question, and absurd," said Baron Ishii, foreign minister, to a correspondent of the Associated Press, who asked him today for his views on the Mexican situation. Declarations attributed to Mexicans were that assurances had been received from Japan that munitions and other assistance would be given in event of war with the United States.  
 "As for private Japanese companies selling arms to Mexicans," the foreign minister continued, "I consider it extremely improbable. As you know, all available rifles and guns are being furnished to Japan's allies to assist in bringing the European war to a successful issue. And, I fancy, though I do not know, that munitions not available for our allies may have found their way to China during the revolutionary troubles."  
 "Let me say this with all the emphasis and earnestness at my command," said the minister. "The Japanese nation sincerely hopes that armed conflict between the United States and Mexico may be avoided. Japan's interest in America, North, Central and South, being essentially pacific and commercial, any event bringing disturbances into the American market would be felt keenly in Japan. This is especially true at a moment when the whole European trade is virtually closed to Japan and the Chinese market is seriously upset."  
 Baron Ishii expressed surprise when the correspondent referred to Gen. Ramon Iturbe, a representative of Gen. Carranza, who was reported several weeks ago to be on his way to Japan on a secret mission.

**Good for The Tribune.**  
 News and Courier.  
 Mr. Hearst's newspapers—and in particular Mr. Hearst's New York American—have repeatedly in the past assailed President Wilson and the Wilson administration in language not merely violent but also deeply offensive. We ventured to indulge the hope, however, that with the United States upon the verge of war and with the honor and welfare of the Republic dependent upon loyal support of the government by the people, even the Hearst newspapers might perceive that the campaign of vituperation which they have conducted against the president should cease for a time. That hope, however, was unfounded. Mr. Hearst's New York American continues its abuse of President Wilson for what he has done and for what he has not done in regard to Mexico and persists with redoubled energy in its effort to destroy public confidence in the government which at this moment all Americans should loyally support.  
 It is a pleasure to be able to record a striking contrast to this unlovely spectacle. The New York Tribune has also been a determined and outspoken opponent of the president's policies. Its partisan spirit has carried it very far in the past—though never, so far as we recall, to the point of employing offensive language—and among the New York newspapers of high standing it has been the most conspicuous critic of the president's foreign policies. Yet the New York Tribune contains this editorial statement:  
 "Today we must all practice a little of the Americanism some of us have talked much about in recent months. This Americanism, it seems to The Tribune, must begin by supporting the national government in an hour of crisis and in holding up its hands by demonstrating that at the point that we have now reached all considerations save those of establishing our unity in purpose and our determination in the face of foreign peril must be laid aside."  
 "Tomorrow, when the issue of peace or war is determined, will be an appropriate time for discussing the steps by which we came to war or to the peril of war. Today, in the immediate presence of an enemy, we must be united, we must stand by, and The Tribune means to stand by."  
 Good for The Tribune; its stand is in keeping with the best traditions of its long and honorable past. So has been its attitude toward the Hughes nomination. The whole tone of the paper in the past fortnight, in the face of a situation which for it is admittedly awkward, has been calculated to inspire a high respect. It shines by contrast.

\*A bad taste in the mouth comes from a disordered stomach, and back of that usually a torpid liver. A condition which invites disease. Herbine is the remedy needed. It corrects the stomach and makes the liver active and regular. Price 50c. Sold by Sibert's Drug Store.—Advt.

**ORGANIZING VOLUNTEER COMPANY.**  
 Men Sign to Enlist if Call Comes From President for Volunteer Troops.  
 A number of the young men of the city are endeavoring to organize a company which will be ready for service, if President Wilson has occasion to issue a call for volunteer troops to go against Mexico. Those signing the petition do not wish to become members of the militia, but are willing to offer their service in case they are needed by their country.  
 The other company which is being organized is under the State militia act and will be held as a reserve company of militia, it is understood. A number of men have signed with it and some have signed with both, desiring to join the one which will first be called out, if service is necessary.  
 A meeting of the volunteer company will be held Monday night in the court house to discuss plans for the future and the securing of the minimum of sixty-five men. The object of the company is stated as follows:  
 We, the undersigned citizens of the United States being above the age of twenty years, hereby agree and pledge ourselves to enlist as a company constituting a unit of volunteers in the army of the United States of America upon the first call of the president of the United States for volunteers for service in the war between the United States of America and the Republic of Mexico. The undersigned further agree to become members of a company to be organized and perfected by the election of the proper officers, to respond after the call of the president for volunteers has been made, and the officers of the said company are to be selected by popular vote of the members of the said company. The period of enlistment of the members of the said company to be for the period of the war between the United States of America and the Republic of Mexico, and for no longer:  
 Geo. D. Levy,  
 Raymon Schwartz,  
 Frans F. Telcher,  
 J. Claude Galney,  
 F. O. Lawson,  
 Julian Schwartz,  
 L. H. Deas,  
 J. L. Sibert,  
 Lelian I. Strauss,  
 J. H. Forbes,  
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No. 666 will cure Malaria or Billous Fever. It kills the germs.—Advt.  
 \*Doing hard work in a bent or stooping position puts a stitch in the back that is painful. If the muscles have become strained, you can't get rid of it without help. The great penetrating power of Ballard's Snow Liniment will appeal to you most strongly at such times, because it is the very thing you need. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Sibert's Drug Store.—Advt.

**Negro Boys Arrested.**  
 From The Daily Item, June 23.  
 Johnny Washington and Tommy Milligan were arrested this morning on the charge of breaking into Levi Bros. store and are now lodged in the guard house. The two boys acknowledged that they were the ones who went into the Levi store and confessed that they also broke into Mr. Brown's Seed store on last Sunday night. The arrest was made by Policeman Owens, who was working on the case. It was found that one of the boys had bought some clothing and a cap to take the place of the one he left on the roof of the building at the store, when he broke into it, and he was located through the aid of another negro boy, who was offered a reward to find him.

No. 666 will cure Chills and Fever. It is the most speedy remedy we know.—Advt.  
 Monday Sumter resembled a recruiting point with its streets full of the khaki-clad lads.—Manning Herald.  
 When you feel lazy, out of sorts and yawn a good deal in the daytime, you can charge it to a torpid liver which has allowed the system to get full of impurities. Herbine cures all disorders produced by an inactive liver. It strengthens that organ, cleanses the bowels and puts the system in good healthy condition. Price 50c. Sold by Sibert's Drug Store.—Advt.

**THE SUMTER ROLLER MILLS.**  
 SUMTER, S. C.  
 Beg to announce they have completed the installation of their modern 50-barrel Flour Mill, and are now prepared to grind wheat, and will guarantee the quality of their work equal to any mill in the country.  
 We grind up each lot separately and in turn, and guarantee to give back the actual product from each particular lot of wheat, so you can eat your own bread.  
 Mr. J. W. McDonald, our Superintendent, is an experienced mill man, having nearly twenty years experience in the manufacture of flour in Virginia and North Carolina.  
 We charge only 1-8 toll and guarantee to give you A Fair Square Deal. We have special milling-in-transit rates to all points.  
**WE WANT YOUR BUSINESS AND YOU NEED US.**  
 Write for Full Information.  
 J. W. McDONALD,  
 Superintendent.  
 PERRY MOSES, SR.,  
 President.

**Shaw-Wilson Marriage.**  
 Fountain Inn, June 24.—Miss Lucille Shaw and Marion Wilson were married on last Wednesday evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Shaw. After spending a few days in North Carolina they will reside on Mr. Wilson's farm in the country.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Wilson will have their home at St. Charles. Their marriage is of interest as both have many friends throughout Sumter and Lee counties. Miss Shaw taught at Wilsacky two years ago, and the many friends she made at that time will welcome her back to the community as a permanent resident.

\*When the baby is suffering the double affliction of hot weather and bowel disorders, the remedy needed is McGee's Baby Elixir. It reduces the feverish condition, corrects the stomach and checks the looseness of the bowels. Price 25c and 50c per bottle. Sold by Sibert's Drug Store.—Advt.

**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 13. 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.—Advt.

\*Stings or bites of insects that are followed by swellings, pain or itching should be treated promptly as they are poisonous. Ballard's Snow Liniment counteracts the poison. It is both antiseptic and healing. Price 25c 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Sibert's Drug Store.—Advt.  
 Oiled paper has been found to be an excellent material for packing tree seedlings, when shipped in crates. When crates are not used, paper-lined burlap makes a particularly satisfactory wrapper.  
**FOR SALE**—A few extra fine male and female Duroc Jersey pigs. See H. L. Tisdale, Phone 482.  
**FOR RENT**—My furnished home, for summer, in the mountains, Lenoir, N. C. Cool, shady; no dust. S. A. Grier, Hickory, N. C.

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 Prompt Attention to Day or Night Calls.  
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 If you want your savings well taken care of, send us your monthly pay checks. We will allow you interest from the day they are received.  
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 The Oldest Banking Institution in the County

**FOURTH OF JULY EXCURSION FARES**  
 The Atlantic Coast Line announces reduced excursion fares from all stations on its lines to nearly all destinations within a radius of approximately 350 miles from starting point. Tickets will be sold for use on the going trip on all trains of July 2, 3 and 4, limited returning to reach original starting point by or before midnight of July 8, 1916.  
 For fares, schedules, tickets and any desired information, call on  
 O. V. PLAYER, Ticket Agent, Sumter, S. C.  
**ATLANTIC COAST LINE**  
 The Standard Railroad of the South