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**PERSONAL.**

G. E. Rollins, general yard master, Atlantic Coast Line, left last night for Birmingham, Ala., to visit his mother.

Miss May Antley, after spending a few days with Mrs. C. W. McGrew, returned to her home at Cameron on Monday night.

Mr. David Donar received notice yesterday of his appointment to the paymaster corps of the army and was ordered to report at Camp Jackson at once. This morning he received orders to report Friday morning.

Miss Sallie Wainmaker has gone to Johns Hopkins Hospital at Baltimore. Her mother went with her.

Mr. Charlie Wilson has returned to Davidson College.

Miss Genevieve Boyd, of Anderson, is visiting her sister, Miss Nokle Boyd.

Mrs. L. F. Jennings has returned from a visit to relatives at Rembert.

Mrs. A. L. Lesane and Miss Elizabeth Lesane, who have been spending the summer in Hendersonville, have returned to the city.

Miss Ruth Hussey left for Charleston this morning for a week's stay with her father, at the Roper Hospital.

Mr. G. Marvin Benseley was in the city today on business.

Mr. Wilfred Shaw, who has been at home for several weeks spending his vacation, leaves tomorrow for Philadelphia where he will complete his course of study at Jefferson Medical College. He will make the trip as far as Baltimore by automobile with Dr. Bridge Baskin, who has been visiting relatives at Bishopville.

**EAT MORE CORN BREAD.**

Food Administrator, D. R. Coker Makes Suggestions to Hotels.

Columbia, Sept. 11.—The greater utilization of corn products is advocated by David R. Coker, of Hartsville, Food Administrator for South Carolina, in a letter to George R. Houston, of Savannah, member of the Southern Hotel Association.

Mr. Coker's letter follows: "One of the 3d to hand, and I appreciate the offer of your association, through you, to cooperate with the Food Administration of South Carolina. I think of one way in which all Southern hotels can be of tremendous assistance, and that is the greater utilization of corn products. There is no better breakfast food than old-fashioned Southern hominy, or grits when served in Southern style with butter or gravy.

"The right kinds of corn bread are always appreciated and enjoyed by Southern people, but unfortunately they hardly ever get them in Southern hotels. I was delighted to see recently in a small southern hotel, small, crisp, unleavened corn cakes, and I noticed that every one at all the tables was eating them with relish. Corn muffins are very palatable, and highly nutritious, but I practically never see anything called corn muffins served unless it is heavily loaded with sugar, and sometimes with flavoring extracts. My breakfast in Columbia this morning was ruined by a bite of nice looking corn muffin that was as sweet as cake and flavored with lemon extract. Two weeks ago in Washington at a Hoover lunch sweet corn muffins were served, and the Southern representatives there all commented on its great inferiority to Southern home products.

"I think many hotels could to advantage reduce the portions served. Signs could also be put up in dining rooms urging patrons not to order everything on a table d'hote menu, and waiters should be instructed to insist on patrons ordering what they wish, and not saying "Bring me a good dinner," and then leave half of it on the table.

"The people generally will cooperate with the hotels and restaurants in effecting a saving of food products and will recognize the necessity for sensible rules. I believe the Home Economics Departments of the Southern States will eagerly cooperate with your association in furnishing palatable recipes for corn breads and muffins, and I hope you will get in touch with them.

"I would suggest that placards urging the use of fish instead of so much meat be placed in restaurants and dining rooms, and that hotels specialize on a good variety of sea food.

"Yours very truly,  
David R. Coker,  
Food Administrator for South Carolina."

"Why not five cent bread in America." In Great Britain the price is 22 ounces for 11 cents, in France 25 ounces for nine cents, in Italy 35 ounces for eight cents, in the United States 28 ounces for 10 cents. And Europe pays the freight across the Atlantic.—Columbia Record.

**RED CROSS FINANCES.**

Cost of Operating National Headquarters Has Been Kept as Low as Possible.

Washington, Sept. 11.—Henry P. Davison, chairman of the Red Cross War Council, authorizes the following:

It is the plan of the War Council of the Red Cross to publish monthly a statement concerning its finance and administration, and every detail which may be found to be of interest to the public will be made known. The following facts concerning salaries paid by the Red Cross may prove of interest to the public.

One year ago, on a peace basis, with only about 200 chapters and a little over 200,000 members, with annual funds of only a few hundred thousand dollars, the Red Cross employed at its headquarters in Washington 75 paid officers and employees of whom 29 received salaries of from \$2,000 to \$7,500.

At the present time, with the Red Cross on a war footing, with 2,600 chapters to administer, 3,621,011 members and a war fund of \$100,000,000 pledged, Red Cross National Headquarters employs 624 paid officers and employees, of whom 46 are paid salaries of \$2,000 a year or more.

In other words, since war was declared, 559 paid officers and employees have been added to Red Cross Headquarters' staff, and of that number 11 receive salaries of from \$2,000 to \$6,000 a year. The highest salary added since war was declared is \$6,000. The highest paid official in the National organization received \$7,500 and he was on the staff on a peace basis.

Of those receiving less than \$2,000 a year, 49 now receive salaries of over a hundred dollars a month. There are 38 clerks being paid one hundred dollars, while clerks and messengers receiving less than \$100, number 491.

In addition to paid officers and employees in National Headquarters, the number of full-time volunteers not contributing their services to the Red Cross is 77. Practically all the important administrative positions created since war was declared are filled by volunteers.

During the last month, although the number of Red Cross members has increased from 2,547,412 to 3,621,011 and the administrative work at National Headquarters has increased substantially, the number of paid employees has decreased from 707 to 624. This is partly to be accounted for by the decentralization of the work among thirteen territorial divisions under a new plan of organization adopted by the War Council.

**AN ADVISORY BOARD.**

Chairman Phelps, With Approval of Council of Defense, Appoints Control Committees.

At the meeting of the Sumter County Council of Defense last Monday, Chairman A. C. Phelps announced that he had created an advisory board of the County Council composed of the following gentlemen of this city. The County Council unanimously approved of the appointment of these well known gentlemen who will to all intents and purposes be practically an auxiliary county council to be called together before each meeting of the County Council to discuss various matters of public interest to be presented to the County Council of Defense.

In this way the numerous public problems will have been carefully investigated and put into tangible shape for the information and consideration of the County Council, and the recommendations of the advisory board can be more quickly, intelligently, and systematically approved or rejected by the County Council. Much valuable time will be saved at County Council meetings, and greater progress will be made as a result of this preliminary investigation of all matters of importance.

For instance the Sumter County Council decided last Monday that the important issues of better and more permanent public highways, and improvement of public health conditions are important functions of the County Council of Defense. Doubtless these two matters will be discussed at the initial meeting of the advisory board and will be presented perhaps to the County Council of 100 members, ten from each township, in a manner that will throw much light upon these two questions and will doubtless result in quick and tangible action regarding both questions.

The advisory board appointed is composed of Judge R. O. Purdy Messrs. Ben. R. Hodge, E. C. Haynsworth, L. D. Jennings, S. H. Edmunds Bartow Walsh, J. H. Haynsworth, D. D. Moise, H. G. Osteen, H. R. VanDeventer.

Mr. Ervin Shaw who has completed the preliminary course of training for the aviation corps, spent Saturday at home with his parents, leaving that night for New York. He will shortly go abroad to complete his training.

**ANOTHER FOREST REGIMENT.**

Woodsmen and Sawmill Men Needed for Service in France.

Washington, Sept. 10.—The formation of a second "forest" regiment comprising ten battalions and composed of lumbermen and woodworkers, who will go to France and get out of the forests materials for the use of the American, French, and British armies, has been authorized by the War Department, it was announced today. Two battalions are to be raised at once with the active aid of the Forest Service of the Department of Agriculture. It is expected that the remaining eight battalions will be called for in a short time. Nine "service" battalions, made up of laborers who will be used in connection with the Forest regiment, have also been authorized and two battalions have been ordered raised at once.

In order to provide for future contingencies it has been decided to commission at the present time enough officers for other battalions yet to be raised. Those men not needed now will be placed on the reserve, and will be called as the other units are formed. According to the present plan, fifty per cent of the officers will be sawmill and logging operators twenty-five per cent will be technical foresters, and twenty-five per cent will be men with military training. A number of the graduates of the engineer camps have been selected for service with the new units.

A considerable number of captains and lieutenants to be selected in the immediate future. The minimum age limit for commissioned officers has been set at 31.

A first regiment of woodsmen numbering about 1,200 men and designated as the Tenth Engineers (Forest) has already been recruited and assembled and is now being trained at American University, D. C. This regiment was raised at the request of the British government to undertake the production in France of crossties, bridge, trench, and construction timbers, mine props, lumber, and other forms of wood required in connection with its military operations. The landing of the American expeditionary forces has made necessary similar provisions for their needs, while the French military authorities have indicated that some of the work incidental to their operations might be taken over by woodsmen from this country. Decision to raise the new and much larger force has followed a study of the field of possible usefulness to the allied cause, made by American foresters attached to Gen. Pershing's staff.

Each of the ten battalions of the second regiment will comprise three companies of 250 men each, and will be under the command of its own major.

The regiment will be made up of volunteers. Applicants must be white and between the ages of 18 and 40. Skilled lumberjacks, portable mill operators, tie cutters, logging teamsters, camp cooks, millwrights, and charcoal burners are among the classes of men desired.

For the "service" battalions both negro and white laborers will be enlisted.

**Trespass Notice.**

All persons are forbidden to hunt or in any other manner trespass upon the lands of the undersigned in Privateer township. These lands are posted and all trespassers will be prosecuted.

J. DARGAN OSTEEEN.

Mr. T. A. Hussey who was taken to the Roper Hospital, Charleston, on September 3rd for treatment for a broken leg is improving rapidly.



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**RECOMMENDATIONS TO FARMERS.**

Resolutions Adopted by the State Council of Defense.

Columbia, Sept. 10.—An acre of wheat per each one-horse crop was the policy indorsed by the State Council of Defense at the Sumter conference.

By resolution the farmers of the State were urged to grow all of the livestock possible.

David R. Coker, chairman of the council of defense, discussing the necessity for more hogs said: "I have before me quotations of the Baltimore market of September 3, quoting medium and heavy hogs (200 to 300 pounds in weight) at 19.65 to 19.70, live weight. If the farmers are going to raise hogs for the market they should form community clubs and ship them in carload lots. They should ship nothing except hogs weighing 175 pounds and over, as these always bring better prices. I shall be glad to give complete information to any farmers clubs wishing to ship hogs."

The following resolution was adopted by the State council of defense:

"Whereas the secretary of agriculture has advised that the wheat acreage of South Carolina be increased 37 per cent. in order that the farmers of our State may do their part in averting a world wheat shortage, therefore upon motion of the committee on production and conservation of food stuffs, be it resolved:

"That the farmers of South Carolina be and hereby are advised to plant one acre of wheat per each one horse crop and that they be urged to plant food lands and fertilize as liberally as circumstances will permit.

Be it resolved, further that, in order to in some measure alleviate the actual famine of meats and fats, the South Carolina farmers be urged to raise all the live stock possible, but especially to increase their production of hogs.

"Be it resolved further that we depreciate the killing of young and immature live stock, and that we urge that this practice be done away with wherever possible.

"Be it further resolved that the South Carolina Live Stock Association be requested to take up at its approaching meeting the matter of the shipment out of the State of large numbers of young calves and to make a recommendation to the State council of defense as to how this practice can be stopped.

"Resolved further that the commissary department of the various camps be requested to purchase food products direct from the farmers wherever possible."

Mr. H. C. DesChamps leaves this afternoon for Atlantic City to attend a meeting of agents of the New York Life Insurance Company, and will be absent from the city for some time.

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Strange-Hawkins. A marriage of much interest to the people of Sumter was that of Miss Janie Ruth Strange to Mr. Jesse Thornwell Hawkings. They were married at the parsonage of Rev. J. S. Rice Wednesday evening, September 12 at eight o'clock. Mr. Hawkings has made his home in Sumter for a number of years where he has many friends. The bride is one of Sumter's well thought of young ladies. She was beautiful in her dress of tope satin, with hat and shoes to match. Mr. and Mrs. Hawkings have the best wishes of their many friends for a long and happy life.

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