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PERSONAL

Misses Lucile and Lenora Johnson and Mrs. S. J. Killeet, of Manning, are visiting Mrs. J. H. Johnson on Broad Street.

Misses Dorothy Shilling and Azile Mellette have returned to the city after a stay in Charleston and Isle of Palms.

Mrs. G. H. Burgess and Miss Mary Belle Burgess have returned from Sullivan's Island.

Misses Thelma and Constance Bultman left last night for Frederick, Md., to enter Hood College.

Mrs. E. D. Owens and little daughter have returned home after a pleasant visit to friends and relatives in Kershaw county and Camden.

Mrs. J. S. Campbell, who underwent an operation at the Toumey Hospital last week and who has been critically ill, is resting easily now. Her many friends wish for her a speedy recovery.

Miss Martha M. Benson, of Columbia, is spending sometime with her mother on Church St.

Mr. S. L. Gilreath has gone to Greenville on account of the death of his sister, Mrs. F. D. Cureton.

Miss Inez King has gone to Lake City, having accepted a position to teach music in the school at that place.

Miss Carita Randle has accepted a position as teacher of domestic science at Stonewall Jackson College, Abington, Va., for which point she left Tuesday night.

Mrs. H. L. Crouch and three children, of Manning, formerly of Sumter, who have been the guests of Mrs. John Lemmon on Liberty Street, returned home Sunday night, after a stay of a few days.

Misses Caroline Dick and Emma Pinckney who are on the reception committee of the Y. W. C. A. leave tomorrow morning for Winthrop. Misses Elizabeth China, Dorenda Mose and others of the freshman class also leave tomorrow.

Mr. J. V. Wilson, of Columbia, is in the city.

Mrs. E. S. Booth and family have returned from Saluda, N. C., where they spent several months.

Mr. E. W. Vogel has returned to the city from Hendersonville, N. C.

Mrs. Wm. H. Bowen has returned to her home in Augusta, after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. McKagen.

Mrs. Berg, of Augusta, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. G. McKagen has returned to Camp Hancock, where she will join her husband, Lieut. Berg. She was accompanied by Miss Elizabeth McKagen.

"Hagood" News and Views. "The best way to avenge yourself is not to become like the wrong doer."

"If any man has done wrong the harm is his own."—Marcus Aurelius. "At last the rain came, and did it not find a lot of cotton in the field? We can always find ample reason to be thankful. Are you not glad we did not have a gale."

No one dares pray for his deserts. Miss Courtenay Atkinson, after a most pleasant visit to Winnsboro and other points, is at home for a few short days. She will teach in Fairfield county this season. Somebody had a good teacher.

Prof. J. B. Jackson, who has been teaching in Indiana during the summer has accepted work at Carolina, his alma mater.

"Man is born for mutual assistance. You must live for another if you wish to live for yourself."

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Allen's second little boy is in very delicate health. The little fellows can not tell where hurts them. How they suffer sometimes and we do not know it. If we knew it they might not be the better off.

"Children are a heritage from the Lord."

The general health of our community is good.

"What ought not to be done do not think of doing—Epictetus. "Guard well your thoughts, for thoughts are heard in heaven."

Eate corn is almost a "total failure. Late broadcast is almost as bad. The pea crop promises to be slender, as also velvet beans on upland. Our fall Irish potatoes are poor indeed."

"Have you planted your fall garden?" "Hagood."

Rembert, Sept. 10.

S. H. School Football Notes. The Sumter High School football squad has been putting in some hard practice during the past week, the boys are turning out regularly and from what is shown by them they ought to develop a good team. The coach, "Burr" Winn, has been giving the boys splendid attention and they have also received some very good "dope" from "Buck" Burns and Ralph Flowers for the last few days they having consented to help the boys out a little before returning to Davidson.

Football practice this week will be held at the Cathoun Street school at 6 o'clock for the rest of this week for the reason that most of the players can not get out until they are off from work, but next week, when school starts, practice will be held at the fair grounds daily at 4.30 p. m.

The following schedule will probably be used: Sept. 27—Camden in Camden. Oct. 4—St. Matthews in Sumter. Oct. 11—Orangeburg in Orangeburg at Fair (Pending). Oct. 18—Marion in Sumter. Oct. 25—Winnsboro in Winnsboro.

Nov. 1—Open. Nov. 8—Rock Hill in Rock Hill (Pending). Nov. 15—Open. Nov. 20—Columbia in Sumter (Fair Week). Nov. 28—Florence in Sumter (Thanksgiving).

SECOND PRIMARY RETURNS.

Executive Committee Met Today to Tabulate the Returns—Election Not Declared as Returns From Mayesville Were Not In.

The County Democratic Executive Committee met at noon today to tabulate the returns and declare the result of the second primary election. The returns were tabulated, but as the returns from Mayesville had not been received it was decided, on motion, to defer the declaration of the result until 12 o'clock Friday, 13th, so as to include the vote of Mayesville if the return of the managers is received by that hour. The chairman and secretary were empowered to include the Mayesville returns in the tabulation and declare the result, or in default of the receipt of these returns to declare the results as tabulated.

The third primary to nominate a candidate for Comptroller General will be held on the date ordered by the State Executive Committee, of which notice will be given. The same managers were appointed to serve at the third primary as acted at the first and second primaries.

Checks were made out and in readiness for the payment of managers and clerks for the first and second primaries and were delivered to the members of the committee who attended the meeting today. Each manager or clerk who came for and returned the boxes receives mileage at the rate of five cents per mile, one way, for each primary. The checks will be delivered to the Executive Committeeman of each club and the managers should call on him for their pay.

The result of the primary, Mayesville not included, was as follows:

For U. S. Senate—Thos. H. Peoples, 206; W. P. Pollock, 1,022.

For Attorney General—Sapp, 350; Wolfe, 908.

For R. R. Commissioner—Arnold, 945; Richardson, 329.

For Comptroller General—Elmore, 231; Osborne, 694; Summersett, 266.

For Commissioner of Agriculture—Garrison, 702; Harris, 511.

For Judge of Probate—Richardson, 701; Warren, 602.

For Magistrate—Cuttino, 330; Moore, 509.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NOTES

Secretary Reardon Begins to Boost The County Fair.

The Sumter Chamber of Commerce will inaugurate an advertising campaign to boost the 1918 Sumter County Agricultural, Live Stock and Industrial Fair on November 19th, 20th and 21st and to enlist the interest of the farmers, livestock raisers, home demonstration, canning and tomato, and domestic science clubs, manufacturers, and all public spirited citizens of Sumter county in making this fall's fair the biggest and the best ever held.

The board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce are apprehensive from what they have learned, that the unprecedented prosperity of the present times, together with numerous other things, among them the many war activities and the interest in the war, has caused hundreds of people usually very much interested in county fairs to overlook the importance of our annual county fair.

This should not be the case because if there was ever a time when our people should be interested in the annual county fair this is the time. The county fair, for several days bring together thousands of people, from every part of the county, and from adjoining counties, and a spirit of festivity, friendship, and co-operation prevails which is good for the masses of the people.

The county fair is a very democratic institution with its many democratizing influences and pleasures and profitable features for old and young, rich and poor. No enterprise in the county does as much to unite the people for the common good. The county fair is an inspiration to thousands to work together for individual and community and for county general good.

It shows the progress that is being made in every line of endeavor, agricultural, horticultural, industrial, educational, domestic science, household arts, canning, preserving, fancy work, art, diversification, conservation, mechanical, it demonstrates what can be accomplished by scientific and practical farm work and improvement in breeding hogs, cattle, horses, mules, poultry, and in increased yields per acre of every kind of field crops, and in fact the county fair is the greatest all around educational and inspirational institution we have in the entire county.

The government of the United States advocates the holding of annual county fairs and is asking especially for this year that every effort be put forth to make the county fairs the biggest and the best ever held, because these fairs bring together, as no other institution does the greatest number of people in a greater variety of interests, and places thousands in elbow touch for the general good and the greatest good to the greatest number.

The Sumter Chamber of Commerce has been requested to take the lead in interesting the men, women, boys and girls of this county in making demonstrations and exhibits of the prosperity and production of the farms, homes, manufacturing establishments, wholesale and retail establishments, home demonstration, canning and tomato, and boys' pig and corn clubs, individual farm exhibits, machinery, automobile displays, community and rural school booths, and in fact to do everything that is usually done during a county fair as Sumter county did for the past two years with such great credit to the entire county.

There will be plenty of wholesome amusements for young and old tented attractions, splendid music and other amusements. Thousands of letters will soon be started out from the Chamber of Commerce to the men, women, boys and girls of the city and the rural districts requesting them to organize

their clubs, communities, schools, and farms to prepare exhibits for the 1918 county fair.

The merchants, bankers, real estate dealers, brokers, manufacturers, automobile dealers, machinery agencies, and all business and professional establishments of Sumter are urged to talk up the 1918 annual county fair of the Gamecock County, and to interest every one of their customers in this coming event.

The directors and other officers of the Sumter County Fair Association are of course also lending their best efforts towards creating interest in the 1918 county fair. The premium lists will soon be ready for distribution by Secretary H. L. Tisdale, and this year's premium list exceeds any other year in the number, variety, and amount of prizes.

Negro Public Health Fund.

Members of the County Colored Council of Defense who are interested in the county health survey met at the Chamber of Commerce September 10. One month from that date the first meeting was called. Today a most encouraging meeting was held. After a few remarks that were helpful and practical by Mr. P. G. Bowman, the committee made a report of what had been done since the last meeting, August 31st, at which time \$258.00 had been subscribed. The following is a report of subscriptions:

August 10th: Dr. C. W. Maxwell, \$25; Dr. L. Bragg Anthony, \$5. Aug. 31, Rev. J. S. Starks, \$150; Dr. C. W. Birnie, \$25; Rev. R. B. Curry, report \$30 raised by subscription. Rev. Zurie Holmes, \$3; Rev. J. L. Benbow, \$5; Rev. D. P. Pendergrass, \$5; Rev. N. A. Rice, \$5; Sept. 10th, Rev. R. B. Curry paid \$5; Mr. J. R. Mitchell reported by subscription \$24, as follows: J. R. Mitchell, \$5; Isham Mitchell, \$5; J. S. Singleton, \$5; Mrs. S. M. Richardson, \$3; Mrs. J. S. Ragins, \$3; Mrs. D. H. Ragins, \$3. Mr. R. W. Westberry, \$25; Mrs. Valentine, \$2; Rev. F. W. Anthony, \$2; Mrs. Zack Walker, \$5; Prof. C. A. Lawson, \$5; the last 4 reported through Dr. Bragg Anthony, \$14. Rev. J. W. Mathis, \$5; Rev. P. Mahoney, \$5; Rev. D. J. Nathaniel, \$10; Rev. H. D. Ramsey, \$5; Rev. E. W. Gregg, \$5; Rev. O. A. Parker, \$5; Rev. E. W. Dix, \$5; total reported to date \$361.

After a most excellent address from Mr. A. C. Phelps in which he very forcibly urged all present to take care of the soldiers it mattered not how much sacrifice it required, that at the close of the war we might be poorer but all of us would be better. He gave as a reason for the white and colored people of the county cooperating so well, because of the superior class of both being in our county—that when we found superior quality of white folks we would always find superior class of colored.

Mr. E. I. Reardon spoke the sentiment of not only those present but of the better element of the State when he said the investigation of the Southern Publicity Company who is giving our county so much notice, was not for the purpose of bringing about social equality, but simply to bring about a better adjustment and better treatment of each to the other. The better class of our race never let such a thing come into their minds, for we know as he said that "social equality is brought about by individuals and not by races." We are proud to have the right of other races, to select our own associates, regardless of race or color.

All we want is our rights as citizens, when we deserve it. Mr. A. C. Phelps, who is chairman of the Sumter County White Council of Defense, said he will call a county public health meeting in this city at an early date, which will be addressed by Dr. J. A. Hayne, our State health officer, and other prominent speakers.

Mr. Phelps was proud of the initiative taken by the negroes of this county to start a movement to raise \$2,500 for the county health survey, and 12 months health campaign of education, and he sincerely trusts that his white fellow citizens will put up the balance needed for this purpose, as he would feel ashamed if they did not.

A letter was read from Dr. J. A. Hayne, State health officer, saying that the International Health Board and the State Board of Health will provide \$5,000 for the county health survey, to begin next January 1st 1919, provided the county of Sumter adds \$2,500 to the \$5,000, and that he will be pleased to attend and address a county public health meeting here.

Secretary Reardon explained and read a letter showing the interest taken by the people outside of Sumter county in the cooperation between the white and colored citizens of this county as evidenced by a request for information along this line from the Southern Publicity Committee regarding the contributions by Trinity Methodist Episcopal church, South (white) of Sumter for a \$1,200 pig organ, and \$250 in cash, and a contribution by Mayor Jennings of \$50 and a contribution of \$100 by the First Baptist church (white) of this city to the Emmanuel Methodist Episcopal church (colored) of Sumter recently.

L. Bragg Anthony, M. D., Sec. Council of Defense (Col.)

Mr. R. B. Belsler, Local Fuel Administrator, states that the Fuel Administration has made a positive request that all owners of automobiles use their machines only when absolutely necessary, and that pleasur riding be reduced to the minimum. Unless there is the utmost economy in the use of gasoline and unless the public generally cooperates with the Fuel Administration in conservation measures, a positive order will be issued regulating the sale and use of gasoline which will be drastic in its nature. If the people voluntarily conserve gasoline and limit its use to necessary and reasonable purposes it will not be necessary to take control of its sale and use, but the next step will be such an order unless the wasteful use of gasoline is immediately stopped.

Returns of 2nd Primary Election—Sumter County

Votes Received for U. S. Senate, State and County Offices—Sept. 10, 1918.

Table with columns for candidates (PEOPLES, POLLOCK, SAPP, WOLFE, ARNOLD, RICHARDSON, ELMORE, OSBORNE, SUMMERSETT, GARRISON, HARRIS, RICHARDSON, WARREN, CUTTINO, MOORE) and rows for various locations (Sumter, Ward 1, Sumter, Ward 2, etc.) and a total row at the bottom.

Fair Price List for Week Ending September 17th.

Table with columns for Commodity, Wholesale, and Retail prices for various goods like Plain flour, Self-rising flour, Corn meal, etc.

FRESH FISH.

Table with columns for Varieties, Wholesale, and Retail prices for various fish like Mullet, Salt Water Trout, etc.

APPROVED: Abe Ryttenberg, representing the wholesale dealers. D. G. F. Bultman, representing the retail dealers. Mrs. I. A. Ryttenberg, representing the consumers. Mrs. H. G. Osteen, Mrs. E. H. Myers, statisticians. U. S. Food Administration; E. I. Reardon, Assistant Food Administrator, Chariman, Sumter Price Interpreting Board, U. S. Food Administration.

ROBBERY OF BELGIUM.

Germany Has Taken From Belgium: Vast Sums of Money, Besides Machinery, Materials and Men.

Paris, Aug. 10 (Correspondence of the Associated Press)—Germany has exacted war contributions from Belgium during the first four years of the war amounting, to a total of \$466,000,000. This is in addition to the vast amount of machinery, materials and men taken from Belgium to sustain Germany.

In this fifth year of war it is interesting to review the "financial activities" of the Germans in Belgium since that fateful day in Belgium's history, August 20, 1914, when the German hordes entered Brussels.

During that month, as the German armies were hacking their way through the little kingdom, numerous towns and cities were "fined" and war contributions were levied from each province as the Germans progressed southwestward.

The first move of the German staff when entering a town was to proceed to the city hall and announce to the Burgomaster that for resisting the advance of the Emperor William's armies, his city or town had been fined so many thousand or million francs, as the case might be. When the Burgomaster would remonstrate, Uhlans and Death's Head Hussars would cavort innocently in City Hall Square or the Burgomaster would be taken prisoner.

In one instance in the Province of Liege the German commander of the company entering the town informed the Burgomaster that a war contribution of 100,000 francs would have to be forthcoming within two hours. The Burgomaster demurred. Never in the history of the little town had there been so much money in the city treasury. At the present moment, there was only a little over three thousand francs in the strong box.

"Well, we'll take that," calmly responded the German. More than 200,000,000 francs were thus levied between August and November, 1914.

Then Field Marshal Baron von deroltz-Pasha decreed that Belgium would have to pay a monthly contribution of 40,000,000 francs during one year and it would not be increased and that it would not be renewed.

"On a recent severe engagement, Stephen R. Brown displayed undaunted courage by time and again exposing himself during terrific shell fire. Employed during the whole of the following afternoon he brought up gas masks traveling across a shell-swept area in full view of the enemy. He administered treatment to the wounded. His fearlessness and untiring endeavors came under my direct observation. "I cannot speak too highly of his spirit of self-sacrifice, his bravery and his calm disregard of all dangers. He supplied men in the first line with cigarettes and chocolate, even visiting advanced observation posts helping all men he found. The gratitude of the officers and men of my organization toward him knows no bounds. "He, later, assisted in the disposal of the dead. In every possible way he could, he assisted, refusing to go to the rear until the troops were relieved though he had not slept or eaten for many hours."

Cotton Market

(Corrected daily at 12 o'clock Noon.) P. G. BOWMAN, Cotton Buyer. Good Middling 34 1-8. Strict Middling 33 7-8. Middling 33 5-8. Strict Low Middling 32 1-2.

Pennsylvania to Make War Records.

Harrisburg, Sept. 12.—Pennsylvanians participating in the great war are to be recorded by the history committee of the State Council of National Defense.

State Senator William C. Sprout, head of the State Historical Society, is chairman of the committee in charge of the work. A. E. McKinley is secretary.

The data is to include Pennsylvanians in the naval, military and marine corps service in this country and overseas. Names and service of those in Red Cross work, with the Y. M. C. A., War Work Council, Emergency Aid, Liberty Loan and War Stamp Campaigns and all kindred patriotic organizations will be included.

A permanent record of Pennsylvania's war work is to be preserved in the State capitol.

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 12.—So that he may "do his bit" for his country, Fred Fauquier, an American whose nearest of kin resides in Seattle, is making a journey of 17,000 miles. Fauquier gave up his position as manager of a great rubber estate in the Malay peninsula to come here for enlistment in the United States Army.

FOR SALE OR RENT—Several nice farms near town. Wanted an overseer for 10 or 12 horse farm. Must be above draft age and familiar with general farm machinery. J. H. Myers, Sumter, R. F. D. 4. Local and Long Distance Phone 5302.

FOR SALE—In settlement McBride estate I offer 1,000 acres Jackie lands, tracts 47 to 16 acres, well located in famous Pudding Swamp tobacco section. The four 1917 prize corn clubs boys of Sumter and Clarendon counties live one to eight miles away and grow 70 to 90 bushels on same type soil. A nearby tract of similar unimproved land was paid for out of last year's crop. Prices right and terms reasonable. E. W. Dabbs, Trustee, M. vesville, S. C.

BEEWAX WANTED—Any quantity large or small. Am paying best cash price. Send me if you have any. N. G. Osteen.

FOR SALE—F. O. B. cars, Camp Jackson, stable 1 anure; very little straw. Car load lots only. Chemical and Fertilizer value rated very high by Clemson college. A. A. Strauss, Sumter, S. C.

MILLERS' CERTIFICATES—Can be obtained at Item Office at reasonable prices in lots of 100 or more.