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LOCAL ITEMS.

Mrs. Fred Gibson and little children are recovering from an attack of the influenza.

Mrs. Blake Wampler and little daughter, Nell, spent Monday at Dryden visiting relatives.

Chas. F. Hagan, of Bristol, spent Monday in the Gap on business.

Sherman Bartley, who has been in training in the Aviation Corps for the past year, has returned to his home near the furnace.

The Minor Building was presented with a service flag yesterday by the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call headquarters in view of the fact that every person in the building became a member. The flag will be displayed in front of the building.

Fred Smith, who has been in training on the Great Lakes for the Navy, passed through the Gap last Friday enroute to his home in Harlan, Ky.

Martin Beverly, who has been in the Aviation Corps for the past year and who has been in training in several camps has been spending several days, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Beverly in the Gap.

Misses Flora Bruce and Edith Ballard are improving after severe attacks of influenza.

Mrs. J. W. Litton and Miss Mary Connor, of Norton, are in the Gap this week visiting their sister, Mrs. J. H. Pierpont.

Nice handkerchiefs for Christmas at Banner Grocery Company reduce prices.

Jannis Taylor, with the Blackwood Coal & Coke Company at Blackwood, spent Sunday in the Gap with his parents.

F. C. Lowry, of Chilhowie, formerly of the Lowry Fruit Company at Norton, spent Sunday here visiting his brother-in-law, W. H. Wren.

Deputy Collector G. F. Jones and three sons, have just recovered from an attack of Spanish influenza.

C. F. Phelps, forman of the Royal Laundry and wife were quite sick last week with influenza.

Editor G. N. Knight and entire family, with the exception of Mrs. Knight, have been confined to their rooms for the past ten days with influenza. All are rapidly improving.

W. H. Johnson, of Rose Hill, spent a few days in town last week visiting his daughter, Mrs. Ernest Morrell.

A. C. Minton, of Jonesville, was a business visitor in town last Friday.

Victor S. Paine was up from Johnson City one day last week on business.

FOR RENT.—Apartments in Touraine, three rooms and bath. Hot water heat and janitor service. Apply to Monte Vista Hotel.

Carroll Morgan, of Camp Taylor, spent a few days in town last week visiting his sister, Mrs. Forrest Kennedy, enroute for his home in Lexington, Ky., Saturday morning.

W. A. Stewart and mother, Mrs. J. M. Stewart, spent Friday and Saturday in Norton, visiting Mr. Stewart's daughter, Mrs. F. C. Hamilton.

Mrs. Forrest Kennedy and son, Edgar, left Saturday for Harriman, Tenn., where they will visit relatives for several days.

Miss Susie Kilgore, is recovering from an attack of influenza.

Mrs. J. W. Barnes and daughter, Miss Dakota, who have been ill for several days with influenza, are very much improved.

Mrs. Reuben Banks, who has been confined to her room for several days with an attack of influenza is able to be out again.

Frank Baker, who has been attending the officers training school at University of Virginia for several months, returned to his home Friday night and is now greeting his old friends with a smile.

Misses Margaret Barron and Bertha Mahaffey spent a few hours in Appalachia Saturday shopping.

Miss Alice Bruce, who has been in Richmond for several days in one of the hospitals taking treatment returned home Thursday, where she was called on account of the death of her mother. She is now at the home of her sister's, Mrs. H. L. Cummings.

Relatives in the Gap have received announcements of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gillenwaters December fifth at their home in Esser ville. Mrs. Gillenwaters was formerly Miss Nannie Slomp.

Mrs. F. W. Lays, nee Miss Caroline Rhoads, who is a yeomanette in the Navy in Washington, D. C., was recently operated upon for a serious attack of appendicitis in one of the hospitals in Washington and has been ill for about a month but is now improving, we are glad to note.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Weatherly and children of Louisville, Ky., called to the Gap Monday on account of the death of Mr. Weatherly's sister, Mrs. Cleve Johnson, who was formerly Miss Bess Weatherly, who died Sunday night at her home near the Southern R. R. station of pneumonia.

Mrs. Hugh P. Young and little son, Hugh, who have been spending a few months in the Gap with Mrs. Young's sister, Mrs. Fred Gibson, returned last week to their home in Birmingham, Ala., where Mr. Young is purchasing agent for the Corona Coal Company.

Jessee G. Gilley, of Cracker's Neck, who owns a fine farm at Maple Gap in Scott county, was in town last Thursday dispensing of some fine apples and Irish potatoes.

Mrs. Vilas Wells left Monday night for Louisville, where she will spend several days visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Kidd.

Sergeant Smith Lawson, who has been in training at Camp Humphreys, Va., and Camp Merritt, N. J., for the past six months, has returned to his home at Cadet, having been honorably discharged from service.

Dr. Samuel B. Nickels and wife and baby arrived in the Gap Sunday night from Petersburg, Va., and will spend some time here visiting relatives. Dr. Nickels was until recently with the Field Hospital Corps of the U. S. Army in Georgia, but has been given an honorable discharge. After a few week's rest he expects to resume his practice as a physician.

Leland Benedict, who has been in training at Camp Lee for several months, returned to his home in the Gap Friday night, having received an honorable discharge from service.

Mrs. Captain Hildyard, of Hutchinson, Kansas, who spent several days at Spartanburg, S. C., visiting her husband, who is stationed there at an army camp, arrived in the Gap Saturday night and will spend some time here visiting her uncle, E. A. Harner.

A. S. Haskins and family, of Wilmington, Del., arrived in the Gap Saturday night and are stopping at the Monte Vista Hotel. Mr. Haskins is representing the Dupont Powder Company and will make Big Stone Gap his headquarters.

W. A. Stewart, of Kingsport, who spent several days in the Gap last week with relatives, returned home Sunday morning. He was accompanied by his mother, Mrs. J. M. Stewart, who will spend several weeks before returning to the Gap.

M. E. Hyatt, a hustling young farmer of Deep Springs, Lee county, was a business visitor in town last Thursday and presented the office with several ears of Iowa Silver Mine seed corn, which is no doubt the finest we have seen for some time. Mr. Hyatt says he raised a bountiful crop of this corn and will have several bushel to sell for seed next spring.

Houston Hurd Dead.

Houston Hurd, aged about 50 years, died here Monday at noon after an illness of several months of Bright's disease. He is survived by his second wife and two small children and four children by his first wife, Mrs. Rufus Wax, of Big Stone Gap, Mrs. Collier, of Stonega, Lucian and George Hurd, who are with the American Expeditionary Forces in France.

Mr. Harris Buys Large Farm.

C. S. Harris, of Columbia, Ky., spent last week in the Gap on business and meeting his many friends. Mr. Harris, who has for several years owned and edited the Adair County News at Columbia, has sold his plant and will move his family to Mississippi, where he recently purchased a large farm containing 800 acres of fine bottom land. Mr. Harris formerly lived at Big Stone Gap and still owns quite a bit of real estate here and comes back occasionally to see after his interests.

RED CROSS APPOINTS INFLUENZA COMMITTEE

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Red Cross, held yesterday a committee composed of Miss Minnie Fox, Mr. C. S. Carter and General Ayers was appointed to investigate the influenza situation, and to make recommendations to the Chairman, Mr. E. J. Prescott, looking to the relief of all persons needing assistance. The Chairman, together with his committee, was authorized to effect a permanent organization to take care of this situation.

The plan offered by the Chairman and by the committee is set forth in the report of the committee, which is as follows:

"We recommend that a committee be appointed composed of Miss Minnie Fox, Chairman, Mr. F. W. Bliss, Mrs. Bliss, Miss Morgan, Miss Howard, Mrs. Hoff and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Alsover to be known as the Influenza Committee, to give aid and relief to persons afflicted with that disease, provide nurse or nurses when necessary and obtainable and in co-operation with other charitable organizations to provide necessary food and medicine for families unable to provide for themselves.

"We recommend that all members of the chapter shall when requested, aid the committee in its work.

"We further recommend that the rules of the Board of Health be more urgently enforced as to public gatherings."

All persons needing assistance or having knowledge of any one needing assistance are requested to communicate with the Home Service Section, postoffice building, telephone No. 220 or with Miss Minnie Fox, telephone No. 62.

Mrs. J. J. Lloyd in the Gap.

Mrs. John J. Lloyd, who has been spending the past two weeks in the Gap the guest of Mrs. R. T. Irvine, left Tuesday for Abingdon where she will visit friends a few days before returning to her daughter's home, Mrs. Raymond Thayer's (nee Miss Lillian Lloyd), near Brooklyn, N. Y. This was Mrs. Lloyd's first visit to the Gap, since she left here four years ago for Japan, where her son, Hubert, was a missionary. They returned over two years ago to the states, but Rev. Hubert Lloyd, together with his wife and baby son, returned to Japan in September where Rev. Lloyd is continuing missionary work. Mrs. Lloyd is greatly loved by the people of the Gap who hope she will return here and live in their midst again.

Broom Factory.

E. R. Taylor is making extensive preparations to start a broom factory here within a short while. The machinery which was ordered several days ago is expected to arrive any time and he will begin at once to turn out the finished product. A considerable amount of broom corn seed was distributed over the country last spring and Mr. Taylor expects to have quite a bit of the raw product on hand when his factory starts.

The people of Big Stone Gap wish Mr. Taylor much success in his new enterprise and every indication points to its success.

Death of John Slomp.

Mr. John Slomp, of Lee county, died last Tuesday at his home after an illness of several months. Aged 76 years, Mr. Slomp was one of the best known men of his community, and he had spent all of his life in the Turkey Cove neighborhood. He was a veteran of the Civil war, having served in the Confederate Army. He is survived by his wife, who was Miss Adeline Gilly, and a large family of sons and daughters and grandchildren.

The funeral services were conducted at the grave on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock by Rev. J. M. Smith. A large number of sorrowing relatives and friends were present. The interment was made in the Hughally Slomp family cemetery.

Miss Bonnie Gilly has been spending a few weeks with her brother, Milford Gilly and his wife, in Gate City.



Make this a Red Cross Christmas

The happiest, merriest Christmas the world ever knew is almost here. But in the rejoicings of peace and freedom there is one note of seriousness, that America must not forget—there is misery and distress and sickness in war-torn Europe. Relief must be given. The work of the Red Cross MUST go on. And to carry on, the Red Cross MUST have the support of your membership.

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