

PERSONAL

Mr. C. A. Harvin of Summerton was in the city today.

Mr. M. D. Baird, of Turbeville, is spending the day in the city.

Major W. F. Robertson, commanding the Coast Artillery Companies of this State, was in the city for a short while yesterday afternoon. He was formerly city manager of the city and was shaking hands with his many friends during his brief sojourn.

Mrs. R. D. Lee, accompanied by her four grandchildren, the Misses Carter and Covington, left yesterday afternoon for Richmond where she will make a visit to her daughter.

Prof. J. H. Spann, formerly a resident of Sumter, but now of Elloree, is in the city.

Miss Fannie White left this morning for Glenn Springs and Hendersonville on her vacation.

Mr. L. C. Griggs, formerly of this State, but more recently prominently connected with the Oklahoma Immigration Co. of Hugo, Okla., is on a visit of several weeks to relatives in this State, and is in town for a few days' visit to his cousin, Mr. W. G. O'Neil on West Hampton Avenue. Accompanied by Mr. Griggs, Mr. O'Neil will leave this week for an extended trip into the "Land of the Sky," stopping at Asheville, Waynesville, Ala. Mountain and Lake Junaluska. They will make the trip through the country in Mr. O'Neil's car, and will probably be gone 30 days.

Mr. L. I. Parrott and son left yesterday for Chicago where they will visit Mr. VanCleave Parrott.

Miss Claire Elliott, of Columbia, is visiting relatives in the city.

Misses Nell McKagen and Catherine Flowers went to Columbia this morning to spend the week-end with Mrs. W. S. Morrison.

Mrs. Eugene Spann and little granddaughter, little Miss Marguerite Spann, have gone to Atlanta and Marietta, Ga., to visit friends and relatives.

Mrs. E. E. Spann, of Lake City, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hogan.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Folsom are visiting their son, Mr. Lawrence Folsom at Asheville, N. C.

Miss Mariet Hatfield and Mrs. H. A. Hutchinson are visiting in Florence.

Mr. J. M. Chandler has returned from Tate Springs, Tenn.

Mrs. J. M. Chandler is visiting her sister in Atlanta.

Mrs. Bessie F. Doar, of Summerville, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Geo. D. Shore at her home on West Calhoun Street.

Mrs. George Mood, Miss Nell and little Miss Catherine Mood, of Charleston, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Stubbs.

Dr. Jno. A. Brunson, pastor of Grace Baptist church, is holding a series of evangelistic meetings in the Pauline Baptist Church, Spartanburg County, and his pulpit will be filled tomorrow, morning and evening, by Rev. L. J. Bristow of Columbia.

Dr. and Mrs. Walter Cheyne have returned from Charleston. Dr. Cheyne will not be called into active service at this time as was first reported.

Mr. C. Elvin Stubbs has returned to the city after a two weeks stay in the mountains of North Carolina.

Mr. R. E. Belser and family have returned from a ten days' stay at McClellanville.

Mr. C. J. Gaillard will leave this afternoon for Richmond to attend the Merchants' Business Conference. He will also buy fall goods while there.

Mr. Robt. W. Plowden returned this morning from Kingstree where he spent the week-end.

Messrs. J. W. Shaw and W. H. Strickland leave this afternoon for northern markets to purchase fall goods. Mr. J. W. Shaw, Jr., will accompany them.

Mr. Reb Bradford, of Richmond, Va., spent the week-end with his father, Sheriff J. K. Bradford.

Misses Aline and Grace Reynolds have returned to the city after a pleasant stay with friends in Charleston.

Miss Emma Mood and Mr. T. H. Clarke left Sunday afternoon for New York where they will buy fall goods for the Sumter Dry Goods Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Levi left yesterday afternoon for Washington and other northern points.

Mr. Willie Bultman left Sunday afternoon for New York on a business trip.

Mr. Lawrence Brunson, who is employed at the cantonment in Columbia, spent Sunday with his parents.

Miss Lucile Davis, of Orangeburg, is visiting Mrs. E. Boney on Church Street.

Mrs. C. W. Kingman and Miss Sidney Kingman have returned from a pleasant visit at the home of Mrs. W. L. Morrison, Mrs. Kingman's daughter, in Savannah. They were

accompanied by Mrs. Morrison, mother of Mr. Morrison, who is now making a visit to Mrs. Kingman.

Mr. Thomas P. Felder, who has been visiting his grandmother on N. Salem Avenue, has returned to his home in Spartanburg.

Misses Lella and Lila Smith, Miss Kate Moses and R. J. Schwerin left Sunday afternoon for Mt. Holly, where they will join a party of friends and will spend the week-end at the Isle of Palms.

Sergt. H. N. Dick, of the Hospital Corps, stationed at Florence, spent Sunday with his parents.

Mr. Leslie Schwartz, accompanied his father to New York, where he will spend the balance of his vacation.

Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Thayer leave this afternoon for Wrightsville Sound. Miss Evelyn Williams has returned from a pleasant visit to Bennettsville.

Mr. Isaac Schwartz left last evening for the markets of the North and East in the interest of the Schwartz stores.

Mr. J. J. Reach, district manager of the Southern Bell Telephone Co., with headquarters at Aiken, spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. R. A. Dixon.

URGES INSURANCE FOR SOLDIER BOYS.

McAdoo Issues Statement Relative to Bill.

Washington, Aug. 12.—In a statement tonight Secretary McAdoo said prompt passage of the army and navy insurance bill would "immeasurably increase America's chance of winning the war" and expressed the hope that the bill would be enacted "before the first soldier of the new National Army begins active military duty," about September 1.

Administration leaders in the house are preparing to expedite the measure and steps to this end probably will be taken within the next few days. Action by the senate will have to await the disposition of the revenue bill.

"In September approximately 80,000 men will be sent to army camps throughout the country to train as soldiers for the greatest war of all time," said Mr. McAdoo's statement. "America's chance of winning the war—and it is the power and resources of America that must win this war—will be immeasurably increased if the war insurance bill, pending in the congress, is promptly enacted into law. As soon as the men go into camp, an immediate and pressing problem confronts the country. Their wives and children or mothers and fathers who are dependent upon them for support will be immediately thrown upon the charity and generosity of the communities in which they live. This must not be done. America must not be disgraced by a failure to provide for the support of the families of the men whom she takes from their homes and places upon the battlefields. This is the time to hearten our men as they enter upon this supreme service of sacrifice for the nation. This is the time to enhance their morale and to sustain and comfort those who are left behind and are required to make sacrifices as great as those who die upon the field of battle.

"I earnestly hope that the measure pending in the congress will be supported by such an unmistakable expression of public opinion that it will be enacted into law before the first soldier of the new National Army begins active military duty."

Licenses to Hunt.

Chief Game Warden Gibbs has written Game Warden F. L. Brunson that hunting licenses are now being printed and will be sent to him in a few days and every person who expects to hunt at all is urged to obtain a license and avoid all trouble and fines. The law will be enforced rigidly and compromises need not be expected.

Cabbages and Kings.

In view of the large crop of cabbages throughout the country, the agricultural department advises that much of the crop be made into kraut. That is a form of food that is easily kept and handled and would play an important part in the conservation of food. And how popular it would be with the soldiers! They would take to it as a cat does to sweet milk. It is a good diet anyhow. It fondles the stomach with a sensation of comfort and delight. The familiar joke of the old German, who pointed to a few barrels of kraut that he had put up in case of sickness, is a real experience. The soldiers in the field would delight to have such tender solicitude shown them. How much better would it be than old desiccated vegetables such as were served during the Civil war. If such a neighborhood would do a great favor to the soldiers, quite as acceptable as warm socks, let it make a barrel of kraut and send it to the front. It would do an immense amount of good, unless the Germans captured it.—Ohio State Journal.

THE KAISER'S SPEECH.

"I will make my declaration," said the Kaiser to his men, "We must whip the allied nations And all those who follow them.

"Go and shoot them with my big guns Which we have so well equipped, Burn up powder by the tons And do not stop till they are whipped.

"We will first kill out the Belgians Then we'll go right into France, When they see my mighty Zeppelins, The will go off in a trance.

"There's the big fleet of the British Go and sink with submarines, Then they'll get so awful skittish They will all begin to scheme.

"They will pray unto the good Lord, But their prayers will be in vain, For the good Lord's with your Kaiser With me ever to remain.

"We will kill out several million And put what's left into a pen Then I'll make them pay us billions As the conflict then will end.

"Then we will have a big sensation When my face they all doth see There in great humiliation They will bend their knees to me.

"You'll come forth then with all your axes, For to chop off all their heads We'll have their gold to pay our taxes When the Allies all are dead.

"So get ready for the conflict, For your Kaiser's getting mad Bring them into subjection quick Then I'll show them who's their dad.

"Now there'll be some big temptations, When out in your submarines But I'll warn you there's one Nation You must not arouse by any means.

"For in that nation there's a man And his name to you I'll tell, Don't you stir up Uncle Sam For he'll surely give us H—L."

—FAIR M. WILLIS, Fork Shoals, S. C.

MR. BIRCHARD EXPRESSES APPRECIATION.

Praises Boys on Camp at Pawley's Island and Thanks Officers for Kindness Rendered.

Editor Daily Item.

Will you allow me space in the Item for a letter of appreciation to the boys who went with me to the camp at Pawley's Island last week. I have had the pleasure of being on many of these camps with boys not only from here but from other cities, and I can truly say that this year we had the best fellows I have ever been with. Their deportment caused continual favorable comment from people at the island, and they maintained their standing of "perfect little gentlemen" while they were there. They are to be congratulated on the fact that they know that the liberty of a camp does not mean license.

I wish also to express here our appreciation to Mr. H. J. Harby for his cooperation in our effort. The use of two cottages there made the stay much more enjoyable. Also to Ansley Hurst who acted as assistant and who rendered valuable assistance throughout the camp.

Cordially and sincerely yours,
H. L. BIRCHARD,
General Secretary.

Provide Cheap Feeds Now.

The farmer who has hogs, poultry, and other kinds of livestock will experience an expensive winter's feed bill unless proper feed arrangements are made in August and September. Two classes of feed—and only two—will be cheap this coming winter—silage and pastures. Corn, wheat, oats, and other grain feeds, and by-products will all be unusually expensive unless fed in conjunction with pastures.

Many temporary pastures are suitable for both hogs and poultry. An acre of good land planted in rape affords grazing for five or six 100-pound fattening pigs throughout the winter, provided a half ration of grain is employed as a supplement; or one acre of good rape should make from 300 to 500 pounds of pork. An acre of rye, oats, barley, or wheat will usually do just about half as well and, in addition, will yield a partial crop after the hogs are removed.—Dan T. Gray, Animal Industry Division, North Carolina Experiment Station.

SUMTER COTTON MARKET.

P. G. BOWMAN, Cotton Buyer.
(Corrected daily at 12 o'clock Noon.)
Good Middling 24 1-4
Strict Middling 24 1-8
Middling 24
Strict Low Middling 23 3-4
Low Middling 23 3-8

Y. M. C. A. CAMP.

Boys at Pawley's Island in Splendid Health.

This, Tuesday, afternoon all the boys in the camp are well and seem to be causing something to "turn up." It is quite true that considerable cuticle on neck and arms is "turning up" after the sun burns of the first day, but that is only an incident.

The boys are grateful to Mr. H. J. Harby for the use of the Club House overlooking the sea and for "Rap Rascal" also which we use for cooking and eating, also for sleeping quarters for 10 of the younger boys in charge of Ansley Hurst. These boys use cots, sleeping two to a cot.

The older boys have more of a military turn and sleep on the floor at Club House.

Five of the boys went to deep sea this morning at 4 A. M., and returned at 9 o'clock with 183 fish. It is expected that a party will be able to go each morning and if the "fisherman's luck" keeps up we will have plenty of fish to eat.

Crabs are also plentiful and are to be had for the taking.

The neighbors here are very kind and seem interested in helping the boys have a splendid time.

The cooks, John Bradford and Willie Stutler, seem determined that the thirty-odd boys will have plenty to eat. Breakfast today consisted of hominy and butter, fried black fish, light bread, coffee, Dinner: Rice, fresh butter beans, boiled ham, potato salad, wheat fritters, syrup, ice water. For supper we will have butter beans, cold, hominy, fried Irish potatoes, saltines, iced tea.

We hope the folks at home are all well. Mail addressed to Y. M. C. A. Camp, Pawley's Island, S. C., will reach us sooner or later.

H. L. Birchard,
Scout Master.

Auto Burns Up.

Mr. C. Brooks Huff had the misfortune to lose his Allen touring car yesterday. The car caught fire in some manner and was totally destroyed. The fire occurred near McBride's Crossing where a party had gone and had left the car in charge of a negro to drive across the swamp at that place. Fire was first discovered near the engine and soon spread to the rest of the car. The loss is covered by insurance, so it is said.

Another Auto Burns.

An Allen automobile belonging to the Carolina Machinery Company was destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon between Bishopville and Darlington. It is thought that a short circuit was responsible for the fire. The car was in charge of Mr. Wilson an employee of the local company.

Bishopville Items.

As the Seaboard passenger train was leaving for Sumter this morning it knocked the automobile of Mr. Perrin off the track at corner of the warehouse on Court House avenue. The car contained Mr. Perrin, Miss Mary and his baby, Miss Genie Smith and her cousin. Miss Genie was thrown out and considerably hurt, the others were slightly hurt. Mr. Perrin says he did not see the train until too late to stop.

Mr. J. H. Johnson, architect from Sumter, came over last Monday with plans for high school building, which have been approved by the trustees. The plans are for a large building with all modern accessories and when completed will be an imposing structure for that part of town. The trustees hope to commence work on building at once.

Dr. Eldridge Baskin and one of his Baltimore friends came all the way from Baltimore in the doctor's automobile. They made the trip in good time and without a mishap. They joined the boll weevil party at Sumter to make a tour of the Georgia and Alabama stricken district. In the party also from Bishopville and Lee county were Dr. A. C. Baskin, Z. M. Skinner, R. M. Cooper, W. S. Wheeler, B. W. Segars.

Quite a Bouquet.

In view of the statements made by Maj. W. F. Robertson last Saturday in regard to the local company of Coast Artillery every person in Cherokee county should be proud of the organization. Major Robertson is a graduate of the South Carolina Military Academy, from which splendid institution he was graduated with honor some sixteen years ago. As a military man he is par excellence, having served continuously as an officer in the service since his graduation. Any statement Maj. Robertson makes in the line of his duty may be implicitly relied upon, and when a man of his experience makes a statement so flattering concerning our boys we should all be proud.—Gaffney Ledger.

Mr. B. D. Wilson, who is in the employ of the government, has returned to his duties at Washington after a visit to his mother.

ABOUT SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Many Prominent Speakers Will Address Gathering on 14th and 15th.

The Sumter County Sunday School Convention will be held at the First Baptist Church, in Sumter, on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 14th and 15th. The indications are that this will be one of the best meetings ever held in the county.

One of the principal speakers for the meeting will be R. D. Webb, general secretary of the South Carolina Sunday School Association. Mr. Webb has been in the State for about two years, and under his direction the State Sunday School work has gone forward as never before. Before coming to South Carolina, Mr. Webb was for thirteen years a teacher in a State college in Alabama. During that time he was a Sunday School Superintendent, a president of the County Association and a Field Secretary of the Alabama Sunday School Association. His address comes from his own experiences and from his study of Sunday School problems for many years.

Mrs. S. P. Moore, of Birmingham Ala., will be another speaker on the program. Mrs. Moore is chairman of the Educational Committee of the Alabama Sunday School Association. For many years she has been State Superintendent of Teacher Training work, and has had a large experience in methods of teen age Sunday school work. Under her leadership Alabama has enrolled more teacher training students than any other State in the union, in proportion to white population. Mrs. Moore is a specialist in Sunday School methods, and is an attractive, inspirational speaker.

Besides these two speakers, a number of others will take part of the program, including some of the best Sunday School workers in Sumter. Judge T. B. Fraser will make the keynote address on "Service;" T. V. Walsh on "The Spiritual Goal of the Sunday School," and Rev. William Haynsworth on "The Needs of the Rural School." The officers of the County Association feel that they are fortunate in having secured these workers to help on the program. This program has been prepared with a view of making the meeting especially helpful to the Sunday School superintendents, teachers and officers.

The officers of the Sumter County Sunday School Association are Charles L. Cuttino, President. H. L. Scarborough, Vice President Mrs. H. L. Birchard, Secretary Treasurer.

Mrs. R. L. Edmunds, Elementary Superintendent.

Dr. J. H. Haynsworth, Secondary Superintendent.

C. M. Hurst, Adult Superintendent.

The District Presidents are: B. P. Cuttino, Sumter; J. C. Dunbar, Dazell; W. H. Ramsey, Wedgefield Sumter Richardson, Tindal; J. H. Wilson, Mayesville; H. W. Beall Mayesville.

The County Sunday School Association is composed of all the school of all denominations in the county and all are urgently requested to have delegates at this meeting.

Approaching Marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Jamison Dwight invite you to be present at the marriage of their daughter Sarah to

Mr. Otto Langdon Long on Thursday afternoon, August the twenty-third at five o'clock Richland Presbyterian Church Eastover, South Carolina.

Miss Dwight is well known here where she has visited many times. Mr. Long is the efficient and popular principal of the boys' high school and made many friends during his stay here of the last scholastic year. He is expected to return to his post when school re-convenes in September.

Death of Mrs. Monaghan.

Mrs. Annie A. Monaghan, widow of the late R. P. Monaghan, died this morning after a long illness at her residence on East Liberty street. She had been in bad health for some time, but her death was unexpected. Mrs. Monaghan had long been a resident of Sumter where she was well known and generally beloved. She was a woman of amiable disposition and character. She is survived by two daughters, Misses Nellie and Margie Monaghan and two sons, Richard P. Monaghan and Tommie Monaghan. Funeral services will be conducted Monday morning at 10 o'clock at St. Anne's Catholic church, interment in the Sumter cemetery.

List Unavailable.

The Item has been unable to get the list of those men who were examined since the last list was printed, due to the fact that all examination cards are in the hands of the board, and are being checked with the call list. This is being done to see exactly who has not appeared for examination.

WITH THE BOLL WEEVIL COMMISSION.

News From Sumter People—See Much of Stricken District.

The Sumter County Boll Weevil Commission is having a good time and learning a great deal, judging from daily postal card bulletins Chairman J. Frank Williams of the commission is mailing to Secretary Rardon of the Chamber of Commerce. The commission has been heard from at Louisville, Albany and Valdosta, Georgia, and all were well. The Valdosta postal card reads as follows: "Ford cars leading procession. Eleven cars in line. Two lost. Weinberg never been heard from. Commercial secretaries showering us with attention and want to show us too much." The Albany card reads: "Sixty miles behind schedule owing to detour by Quitman and Louisville to see hog county, grain elevator, and weevil experiments and pecan groves. Have seen cotton that entire crop will not make one hundred pounds of seed cotton per acre. Have seen more wire fencing today than there is in South Carolina. Have seen many miles of velvet and soy beans, corn, and peanuts. The half has never been told. Only six cars in procession tonight, think others are together at other points for the night."

The governor of Georgia, and commissioner of agriculture of that State have written the Sumter Chamber of Commerce that they have instructed every county and government official in Georgia to look out for the Sumter party and see that they are taken care of and furnished every opportunity to secure information. The governor and assistant commissioner of agriculture of Alabama have written the Chamber of Commerce through the Commissioner of Agriculture E. J. Watson practically the same thing regarding that State's reception of the Gamecock County weevil investigators.

The Sumter County Commission will make its report at the next meeting of the Sumter County Committee of Public Safety, at Chamber of Commerce, at 11 A. M., Saturday, August 18th. Then will start the line-up for diversification, planting of more wheat, corn, oats, peanuts, soy, velvet, and other beans, peas, potatoes, vetch and clover, pasture grasses, building of wire fences for hogs and cattle pastures, etc. The Committee of Public Safety and the Chamber of Commerce have formed a defensive and aggressive alliance to get ready for the boll weevil and to win this war.

From the Boll Weevil Committee.

The following cards were received this morning from Mr. H. G. Osteen, who is with the Boll Weevil Committee.

Ashburn, Ga., 8-17-17, 8.40 P. M. (Georgia time.)
Stop here for supper. Have made 148 miles and stopped several hours at Tennille and Dublin. Spent night at Sandersville. Up at 4.30 to inspect big dairy. First weevils seen at Hawkinsville. Will go to Valdosta tonight, 65 miles.

Eufaula, Ala., Aug. 9, 2 p. m.

Arrived here for dinner, leaving Albany, Ga., at 9.45—80 miles. Pleasant weather, fine trip, good roads. The weevil is doing great damage below and around Albany. Thank here also.

S. L. I. Inspected.

The Sumter Light Infantry was inspected during drill period this morning by Adjutant General W. W. Moore. The inspection took place on the graded school square and the company made its usual creditable showing. All of the men were attired in their recently issued uniforms and made a superb appearance.

Much Bad Meal Now Being Sold.

The department of agriculture, commerce and industries is seizing much inferior quality corn meal over the State. The pure food laws require that all meal below a certain standard be seized by the department and destroyed. Within the last ten days from 15 to 20 seizures have been made. The meal is the product of the fag end of last year's corn crop.

On a Trip from Sumter into Clarendon county yesterday a gentleman reports seeing cotton picking going forward and cotton open on three farms. In another week this branch of farm work will be in full blast.

Geo. H. Hurst,
Undertaker and Embalmer.
Prompt Attention to Day and Night Calls.
At O. J. CRAIG Old Stand, N. Main.
Phones: Day 539 Night 301