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The Sumter Watchman was founded in 1850 and the True Southern in 1866. The Watchman and Southern now has the combined circulation and influence of both of the old papers, and is manifestly the best advertising medium in Sumter.

Washington, Sept. 7.—Fair weather with the return of normal temperatures is forecast for the coming week in the Southeastern States.

**Health Institute.**  
An enthusiastic crowd of women were present at the Demonstration's Club lecture on home nursing. Miss Kells gave the practical demonstration with a patient, of how to make a bed and change the bed linen without disturbing the sick person.

Dr. Brunson made a good talk on nursing, and has promised to help with the short series of lectures to be given by the Demonstration Club at the Girls' High School the last of the month.

Dr. Stuckey will appear on one program with a talk on "The care of the child" and "Medical Emergencies" following up a previous lecture to the Mothers' Club on "The care of the Baby." Every woman in the city is interested in learning how to care for her children, the dearth of doctors and nurses make this knowledge more important than ever, and the Home Demonstration Club is making this departure from the regular program of study, as a war measure and in order to be in line with the health campaign of the Council of Defense.

Mrs. Mood's resignation as president was offered and accepted with regret. Mrs. John Sumter was elected to the office. Later notice will be given of the date of the Health Institute, also program of lectures.

Mrs. H. M. Stuckey, Secty.

**American Casualty List.**  
Washington, Sept. 7.—The army casualty list totals 293, as follows: Killed in action, 27; missing in action, 17; wounded severely, 164; died of wounds, 15; died of accident and other causes, 2; wounded, degree undetermined, 69; wounded slightly, 10. Wounded severely, Jess Warden Tucapau, S. C.

Using chrysalis oil and mulberry cellulose a Japanese has invented an artificial silk that is said to more nearly approach the luster of the genuine than any other.

**BEER ALSO CUT OUT.**

To Be Prohibited as War Measure, Decision Being Reached After Conference Between President and His Aides in Conservation Saving in Food.

Washington, Sept. 6.—Manufacture of beer in the United States will be prohibited after next December 1 as a war measure.

This announcement was made tonight by the food administration, which said the decision had been reached at conference between President, Wilson and representatives of the fuel, food and railroad administrations and the war industries board.

Factors which influenced the decision to prohibit the manufacture of beer after December 1, the food administration announcement said "the further necessity of war industries for the whole fuel productive capacity of the country, the considerable drought which has materially affected the supply of feeding stuff for next year, the strain upon transportation to handle necessary industries and the shortage of labor caused by enlargement of the army program."

Warning also was issued to manufacturers of all beverages and mineral waters that for the same reasons there will be "further curtailment" in fuel for the manufacture of glass containers, of the plate for caps, of transportation and food products in such beverages.

Under national prohibition legislation passed by the senate today and sent to the house, which enacted similar legislation last May, manufacture of beer and wine would be prohibited after next May 1. Today's order will move up five months the time for discontinuance of the manufacture of beer, although the breweries may be allowed to resume operations between that date and the effective operation of the "dry legislation" if finally enacted, since today's order was "until further orders."

The manufacture of whiskey was prohibited last year and there has been increased demand in congress that the president exercise his war time power to stop the manufacture of beer as a food conservation measure. The house last May, in adopting the emergency agricultural appropriation bill, attached a rider which provided that none of the funds provided by the measure should be used until the manufacture of beer was discontinued.

Several applications to lease the new tobacco warehouse that is to be built for next season have already been received. The prospective price for tobacco next season and the big money made this year by tobacco planters will undoubtedly induce farmers to largely increase the tobacco acreage in this county next season and another warehouse will be needed here.

**Falling Temperature.**  
The temperature this morning was suggestive of hosiery and shoes for the school boys and girls. The Sumter Dry Goods Co. are specializing in these two lines at present.—Adv.

**NOTICE TO REGISTRARS.**

Important Notice to All Men in The Country Districts of Sumter County Who Have Been Notified That They are to Act as Registrars on September 12th, 1918.

There will be a meeting of registrars for the rural districts of Sumter County on Wednesday, September 11th, at twelve o'clock noon. This meeting will be held at the office of John H. Clifton, Chairman of the Local Board. It is of the utmost importance that every rural registrar attend this meeting. It may be inconvenient to do so, but we are faced with a great national emergency and a truly patriotic man can respond in but one way. Though there may be a few men who will be so placed that it will be utterly impossible for them to attend, it is absolutely necessary that at least one registrar be present from each district, as the supplies for the registration will be given out and the necessary oaths administered.

Local Board for Sumter County, S. C., by John H. Clifton, Chairman.

**Attention Colored Citizens.**

By a recent act of congress all male citizens from 18 to 45 years of age who have not already registered for military duty are required to register on September 12th, between the hours of 7 A. M. and 9 P. M. for whatever service the government wants them for.

There is severe punishment for those who fail to do this. Each person is to register at their voting precinct. All ministers, school teachers, presidents of societies are requested to make announcement of this at all their public gatherings.

All owners of automobiles, including hackmen, are requested by the government to show their loyalty and patriotism by assisting people who are working to get to the points of registration and save time.

For any further information, inquire of  
A. J. Andrews,  
Precinct Chairman.

**BERLIN REPORTS RETREAT.**

War Office Says American Attack in Vesle Region Was Repulsed.

Berlin, Sept. 7.—On the heights northeast of Fisme, in Vesle River region the Germans yesterday repulsed renewed attacks by the Americans, it is officially announced. On the Somme and Oise rivers the enemy followed the Germans who are retiring by way of Ham and Chauny and during the evening was engaged in fighting the German rear guards on the line of Aubigny, Villequier and Aumont.

**TO FIGHT FOR HUNS.**

Finland Said to Place Entire Man Power at Disposal of Germany.

Paris, Sept. 7.—A treaty of alliance has been concluded between Germany and Finland under which the entire manpower of Finland is put at the German's disposal, according to a dispatch to the Matin, from Copenhagen.

**THE COTTON MARKET.**

Comparative Prices Paid in Sumter and Bishopville Today.

A few days ago several farmers who sell cotton on the Sumter market raised the old question of comparative prices paid for cotton by buyers on the Sumter market and by buyers on markets in neighboring towns. Attention was called to these criticisms of the Sumter market and the facts relative to prices paid on the same day in Sumter and Bishopville were stated, as reported by those making the complaints. One explanation of the higher prices paid on the days in question by the Bishopville buyers was that local speculators were over-reaching the legitimate market in an effort to get the cotton in hand, in anticipation of an advance in price, and it was then predicted that the Bishopville market would drop below the legitimate market price as soon as the speculators were loaded or get caught on a decline. This explanation seems to be substantiated by the prices paid today on the Sumter market and in Bishopville. The market opened in Sumter above 33 1-4 and soon advanced to 33 1-2, and reference to the local market quotations will show the range of prices paid for the different grades above middling. In Bishopville the market opened at 32.62 1-2 and advanced to 32 3-4 at noon. A telephone message from Bishopville at 12 o'clock stated that the market was stronger than at the opening, but at that hour 32 3-4 was the highest price paid for any grade.

If the Sumter Cotton Marketing Association is ultimately organized it would be worth while to keep a record day by day of the prices paid for cotton in Sumter and in all the other markets in this territory. With such record at hand it would be an easy matter to establish the fact that the average price paid in Sumter throughout the season is higher than in any competing market. One or two days of high prices, when the market conditions do not justify such prices, do not make a market. But unless the Chamber of Commerce or some other body takes up the matter and gets the facts in convincing shape to prove that Sumter is a better cotton market than any other in this section, there will continue to be complaints and reports that cotton sells for higher prices in Bishopville, Camden, Pine-wood and other places than in Sumter. Everyone who knows anything about the cotton market is aware that these reports are current among the farmers every year and that there has been dissatisfaction. There is no use in playing the ostrich game and shirking a situation. If Sumter is a better market than other places it is easy to prove it by facts and figures. Ignoring or getting mad over reports do not help matters. Disproving false reports is the only remedy that is worth anything.

**A Good Place**

For a boy or girl who is open at the Sumter Dry Goods Co. An excellent opportunity for one who proves worthy of promotion.—Adv.

**FACTIONS IN ARGENTINA.**

Effort to Make Bastille Day a National Holiday Brings out Sentiment on Two Sides in the World War.

Buenos Aires, July 25 (Correspondence of The Associated Press)—Argentina's policy toward the belligerents in the world war was involved in the decision of the Chamber of Deputies on July 3 to make July 14, France national holiday, also and again a day for national celebration in Argentina. Friends of the entente nations consider the action of the Chamber of Deputies in adopting this measure to indicate that the majority of the members of the Chamber are pro-Entente.

President Irigoyen is placed in a difficult position by the passage of this measure. During the debate in the Chamber of Deputies there was a sharp alignment of pro-Entente sentiment in support of the proposal to make Bastille Day a national holiday in Argentina. No one but the Germans and their sympathizers opposed the measure. These latter contended that the Germans would be offended if July 14 was made an Argentine holiday and that they would regard it as a breach of neutrality.

It was generally admitted in the lobbies of the Chamber of Deputies that the July 14 holiday proposal was designed by the enemies of the president to force his hand. He must either veto or sign the bill. If he signs the bill friends of the Allies will claim it as a friendly action toward the Entente nations. If he refuses to sign it his enemies declare that his veto will be considered as a definite stand in favor of Germany.

There was a hot contest over the measure. It caused a split in the Radical party which has supported the president and there are now two distinct groups in that party. It is believed here that each group will have its own candidate for presidency when the next elections are held.

The first group contains the clericals and the conservative Radicals, including those too, who favor Germany, Spain and Mexico. The other group, called the Extremists, is composed of the Radicals whose sympathies are with the Entente cause in the war.

The clerical or conservative wing favors strict neutrality by Argentina in the war and is antagonistic toward the British and American trade invasion of South America; while the other wing is friendly toward both British and Americans. The latter demand a frank expression of sympathy toward the Entente allies.

**HAVE SUFFICIENT AIRPLANES.**

Situation of Gen. Pershing's Army Eminently Satisfactory.

Washington, Sept. 6.—Confidential messages from Gen. Pershing indicate that the American army is now supplied with sufficient planes to protect the men in battle. Gen. March told the house military committee today. He reported the general situation of the American forces in France as eminently satisfactory.

**DUTCH KICK FRITZ.**

Holland Encouraged by Huns Bad Luck Protest Against Frightfulness.

The Hague, Sept. 6.—The Dutch minister to Berlin has been instructed to protest against the destruction by German submarines of vessels within what is designed as the barred zone and against the sinking of seven Dutch fishing vessels August 24th.

**THE WORLD'S SERIES.**

Chicago Cubs Win Second Game in Spirited Contest.

Chicago, Sept. 6.—The Chicago Nationals put the world's series on a 50-50 basis today by defeating the Boston Americans, 3 to 1, in a good old fashioned game of ball.

Tyler, pitching for Chicago, was the hero of the contest, for he projected a steady stream of bafflers and capped the climax by shooting a single over second that scored two runs.

**S. H. S. Football Notes.**

The Sumter High School football squad will begin its regular practice on Monday afternoon at 4.30. Every boy that expects to make the team must be at this practice and in uniform.

The team's first game has been scheduled with Camden, in Camden, on September 27th, and reports are that this place will put out a husky team that will make the Game Cocks hustle to beat them and especially on their home grounds.

Since the railroad rates have advanced the Sumter High School Athletic Association will be obliged to charge more than the prices of admission were last year, but the boys know well that the people of Sumter will give them the support that they had last year and it will probably be greater this year than ever because there is more interest taken by the boys this year than ever before.

**Registration Notice.**

On the following dates, the Board of Registration will visit these several townships of Sumter county, for the purpose of registering all qualified electors who have not already registered:

- Providence, September 3rd.
- Stateburg, September 4th.
- Middleton, September 5th.
- Manchester, September 6th.
- Privateer, September 9th.
- Concord, September 10th.
- Shiloh, September 11th.
- Mayesville, September 12th.
- Rafting Creek, September 13th.

The books of registration will be opened according to the above schedule, from nine o'clock in the morning, until six o'clock in the afternoon at the usual voting places in the townships herein designated.

T. D. DUBOSE,  
J. M. N. WILDER,  
J. A. REAMES,  
Supervisors of Registration.

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