

AT THE CAPITAL OF BANNER.

Benson's Budget of Live Local and Personal Items. Some Come and Some Go.

Benson, Aug. 16.—Mr. Jas. P. Lee was a visitor to Clinton yesterday on business matters, returning last night.

Miss Agnes Bell, of Dunn, has been here for the past several days visiting Miss Ruby Hobbs and Miss Iva Johnson.

Miss Nellie Turnage, of Buie's Creek, is here for the past few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Williams.

Mr. B. C. Vick, who was agent for the Coast Line here about twenty years ago, is in the city on a short visit to Mr. C. L. Johnson.

Mr. J. E. Wilson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Isham McLamb and children left yesterday for Wrightsville Beach to spend a few days.

Dr. W. T. Martin and brother, Clyde Martin, went to Raleigh and Wake Forest yesterday on business.

Miss Mary Gordon, of Hamlet, is in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. J. K. Barbour.

Misses Sarah Turlington, Callie Turlington and Florence Jernigan left yesterday for Fuquay Springs where they will spend several days.

Messrs. A. E. Surles, J. L. Hall and J. H. Rose were jurors at the Criminal Term of Court this week at Smithfield.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Britt and children are in Richmond and Emporia, Va., this week visiting relatives. They went up on Mr. Britt's touring car.

Messrs. A. T. Kelly and D. T. Coats, of Rehoboth, were in the city yesterday on business.

Mr. Alonzo Parris returned this week from a vacation of several days at Wrightsville and other points.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hudson and children went up to Fuquay Sunday and spent the day, returning home that evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Royal and children and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Smith spent Sunday at Sanford visiting friends.

Mr. W. H. Morgan, of Angier, was here this week for a few days with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Franklin Wilson, of Dunn, were visitors to our city Monday.

Mrs. J. W. Denning, of Newberry, S. C., is here visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Bryant Denning.

Mrs. Ed. Pierce and little daughter, Louise Pierce, of Hazlehurst, Ga.,

and Mrs. Ora Thompson, of Douglas, Ga., are here for a several days visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Collin.

Mr. S. E. Williams was a visitor to Raleigh Tuesday and Wednesday on business.

Mrs. C. S. Pipkin, of Lillington, is here this week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Ligon.

Misses Elsie Barbour and Lunette Barbour, of Polenta, are visiting relatives here this week.

Capt. J. W. Goodrich and Mrs. Goodrich and daughter, Miss Velma Goodrich, spent Sunday in LaGrange visiting relatives. Miss Velma will spend several days before returning home.

Miss Clel Lamb, of Lucama, came yesterday and will spend some time here with her aunt, Mrs. L. E. Stevens before returning home.

Mr. Henry Slocumb was a visitor to Raleigh Monday and Tuesday on business matters.

Miss Eva Smith, of Coats, is here for a few days visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Holland.

Messrs. J. E. Wall and Eli Turlington are spending the week in Richmond, Va., on business connected with their stores.

Mr. Jake Greenhal is in Baltimore for a few days visiting his parents and buying goods.

Mrs. J. H. Rose and children are in Smithfield this week visiting relatives and friends.

Rev. G. W. Rollins left the first of the week for Ridgecrest, N. C., where he will spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Godwin and children went to Raleigh Tuesday and spent the day shopping.

Rev. G. W. Rollins and sons went to Smithfield Monday on a short visit on business.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Canaday and Misses Eva Smith and Velma Brady spent Saturday in Fuquay Springs with relatives.

Mrs. Brosia Porter is here on a visit to relatives. She and her husband, Mr. Brosia Porter, moved to Petersburg, Va., where Mr. Porter is employed by the Government builders.

Among the Bensonians who attended Court at Smithfield this week we note the following: C. W. Anderson, J. L. Hall, J. H. Rose, R. T. Surles, N. T. Ryals, Ezra Parker, Jim Raynor, A. B. Hudson, Pias Hudson, P. B. Johnson, R. F. Smith, Claude Weeks, George Hall, and George Moore.

Mrs. Arthur Oneal, of Petersburg, Va., is here for a few days visiting her father, Mr. J. G. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Crosby Smith and

children were visitors to Fuquay Springs Sunday.

Elder Farmer, of Wilson, was here Sunday and conducted services at the Primitive Baptist church, returning home Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Woodall and children and Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Lasser and children and Mr. Newton are spending the week at Montreat, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Gordon and Stewart Gordon, Sallie Gordon and Gilmer Gordon, of Hamlet, N. C., and Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Covington, Jr., of Laurinburg, N. C., were here the first of the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Barbour.

Mr. J. R. Baggett, of Lillington, is here today in the interest of the Central Carolina Railroad Company.

Mr. Willie Ryals, of Princeton, is here this week on business matters. Miss Gertrude Surles is spending the week with relatives and friends in and near Coats, N. C.

Mr. B. D. Creech is in Smithfield and Selma this week on business matters.

Miss Oldham, of Elon College, has been here the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ligon for the past few days.

Miss Stella Benson, who has been at Gastonia for the past year, is here for a few days visit to relatives.

Mrs. Martha Jackson and daughter, Miss Mary Jackson, and Miss Roberta Upton are visiting in Clinton.

Five American passengers were lost when the American steamer City of Athens struck a mine and went down near Capetown, South Africa, on August 10, according to State Department dispatches. Ten other passengers and four of the crew also were lost, the dispatches say. The dispatches say four of the Americans were missionaries and name Mr. and Mrs. Naygard, Miss Robinson and Caroline Thompson, the latter of the Methodist mission board. A Mr. Pointer of that mission was saved. Nineteen other missionaries of an organization with headquarters at Brooklyn, N. Y., were saved.

The fifth training regiment which gives nearly 1,700 officers to the American fighting forces which will fight democracy's battle against Germany, ended their 13 weeks preparations Monday at Fort Myer, Va., before President Wilson, Secretary Baker, Major General Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff, and the ranking officers of the allied armies now in Washington.

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