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PERSONALS

Motored to Seven Springs.
Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Woolard and Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Thompson motored to Seven Springs yesterday. The "Mrs." were left there, where they will spend about ten days, and the "Misters" returned home last night.

Visited New Bern.
Two auto loads of Washington men motored to New Bern yesterday to witness the horse races, which were scheduled to be held in that city. The races were rained out, but the parties had a good time, nevertheless. Tom Laughinghouse had in his car, William E. Baughman, Dr. Sugg, Enoch Simmons, Harvey Carrow, Sheriff Mann of Hyde county, and Greene Singleton. Dave Fowle had in his machine, Dave Taylor, Roy Kear and Dan Simmons.

Returned from Wilson.
Seth Baughman, who has been spending some time with friends in Wilson, has returned home. James E. Baughman and Commodore John Wells are expected from Wilson this evening.

Has Gone to New York.
Miss Hattie Hemby left yesterday afternoon for New York, where she will purchase goods for Barrett and Hartsfield, with whom she has accepted a position in Wilson, N. C.

Motored to New Bern.
Captain and Mrs. Hill, Dave Hill, Mrs. Lizzie Hill and Miss Eliza Kelly enjoyed an automobile trip to New Bern yesterday. They had some slight trouble with the car at Vanceboro, but otherwise the trip was unmarred by any accident or mishap.

Had Ankle Crushed.
J. C. Clapp, foreman of the construction and repair department of the Washington telephone exchange, is confined to his home with a badly crushed ankle. Mr. Clapp was at work in the vicinity of Grimesland and a telephone pole fell on his foot.

Mr. Malone in Town.
Rev. C. D. Malone of Chowchilly is in the city today. Mr. Malone has been away for a short vacation trip. He has returned considerably improved in health and is looking exceptionally well.

Visitors from Savannah.
Mr. and Mrs. Harley G. Sparrow and son are expected here tomorrow from Savannah. They will spend some time in the city, visiting relatives.

Tourists at Niagara.
A telegram was received this morning from James L. Marx stating that the Daily News tourists had arrived safely at Niagara Falls and were having a fine time.

Went to New Bern.
George Spencer, Dick Hudson and Police Chief Dick Roberts motored to New Bern yesterday to witness the horse races. The races were postponed until next Tuesday.

Cotton in Good Shape.
Local cotton men declare that the crop in Beaufort county is showing up remarkably well. It is generally believed that the quality of the staple will be excellent and that prices will be high.

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Mrs. Hardy in the City.
Mrs. Ira M. Hardy, formerly a Washington resident, but now of Kinston, is spending some time here visiting relatives. Mrs. Hardy states that Washington is improving rapidly and that the local stores are far superior to those of Kinston. She says that our streets are too narrow, however.

EVERYBODY
In Beaufort, Pitt and Martin counties who have friends visiting in their homes this week or next tell them of the Baker's Studio. Tell them what they can get. Tell them what they can miss. Tell the truth. Tell only the truth—and enough is said about Baker's Studio.

Greenville Reduces Market.
Although seven warehouses were operated in Greenville last year, when the market opens in that city next week, there will be only five houses doing business.

Oyster Season Near.
The beginning of the oyster season is only a few weeks off. From along the coast come reports that the "crop" of oysters last year was rather small, a much larger and better yield from the beds is expected during the coming season.

C. E. Jordan Is Ill.
Claude Jordan, Sr., is confined to his home on West Second street with illness. Mr. Jordan's health has not been good recently and while his present illness is not believed to be serious, it prevents him from attending to his work at J. K. Hoyt's store.

Returned from Beaufort.
Mrs. E. R. Windley, Miss Laurie Branch and Mrs. Charles Sprull have returned from Beaufort, where they have been spending some time. They report a most enjoyable vacation.

Are Home from Ocracoke.
G. C. Waters, Jamie Williams and Robert Small, known as Indians, have returned from Ocracoke. They claim to have broken all records for catching fish.

Visiting in New Bern.
Miss Eliza Branch left yesterday afternoon for New Bern, where she will be the guest of Miss Matilda Hancock.

Herman Carrow Is Back.
Herman Carrow, prominent in local church circles, who is at present employed in Richmond with an automobile concern, is home for a few days. Mr. Carrow states that he is prospering and is enjoying himself in the Virginia City.

Leaves for Ocean View.
Hunter M. White leaves tonight to spend the week-end at Ocean View. He will return to Washington Monday.

Brings Tobacco Here.
R. E. Butt, of Chowchilly, came to town this morning with a sample of the tobacco which he has raised on his farm this year. It is without question the finest that has been brought yet. It is on display in the Bank of Washington and is attracting much attention.

ATTACK OF THE GERMANS HAS BEEN REPULSED

Paris, Aug. 12.—Heavy attacks by the Germans on both sides of the Somme have been repulsed. The Teutons also lost heavily in their attack against the Australians at Pozieres.

THEATRE TO-NIGHT
"FOR THE DEFENSE" A real Paramount feature The Cammings Children in Vaudeville
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MEDIATION IN STRIKE IS OF NO EFFECT

BOARD OF MEDIATION ANNOUNCES THAT IT IS UNABLE TO SEE PROSPECT OF SETTLEMENT. ANOTHER CONFERENCE

Arbitration is Suggested. Employees Have Already Refused to Consider It. Brotherhoods Are Meeting in Executive Session.

(By United Press)
New York, Aug. 12.—Mediation has failed in the controversy between representatives of 400,000 railroad employees and managers of 225 railroads, affected.

This was formally announced by Judge Martin Knapp, of the U. S. Board of Mediation and Conciliation in a communication to the trainmen. The communication read in part as follows:

"In our judgment, after two days of consideration of the difficulties involved, there is no prospect of settlement by mediation and we therefore suggest arbitration."

Immediately after this announcement was made public, the executive boards of the brotherhoods went into executive session to consider the suggestion.

A previous statement by the employees stated unequivocally that they were unanimous in their decision not to accept arbitration. The admitted failure of mediation, it is believed, will develop ominous moves in the situation. The railroads, it is believed, will face the consequences of a strike, rather than abandon their plan of arbitration.

ENGLAND DENIES SHE TAMPERED WITH CABLES

(By United Press)
Washington, Aug. 12.—England indignantly denies that "she had diverted to her own use the cabled Russian business orders, which were intended for U. S. firms, as charged by Chicago and other American concerns. The loss in the Russian trade during the last eight months has been \$100,000,000, claimed through British interference with cable orders."

AUSTRIAN AVIATORS RAID ITALIAN CITIES

(By United Press)
Rome, Aug. 12.—The battle of Isontzo has spread to the region of Piava, north of Goritz, while a third Italian army continues to sweep the Austrians from the river bend to south of the city. In revenge for their defeat, Austrian aeroplanes are raiding Venice, Grad and other cities, doing material damage.

First Christian Church.
Bible School 10 a. m. W. O. Ellis Supt. Services 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Morning subject: "The Angels' Voice or Thunder." Evening subject: "The Good Shepherd." Christian Endeavor 7 p. m. David Davis, leader. Ladies Aid meets Monday 4 p. m. at the church. Teachers meeting Tuesday evening at the parsonage. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. F. A. Lilly leader. A full attendance of the choir is requested Friday evening. Plan music for meeting. A cordial invitation to you.

FURTHER PROOF THAT STEILOW WAS INNOCENT

(By United Press)
Auburn, Ky., Aug. 12.—Further proof of the innocence of Charles Steirow, who would have gone through Sing Sing's "little green door" to death had not an eleventh hour reprieve saved him, was adduced today when Clarence O'Connell substantiated the confession of Irving King, the peddler. O'Connell admitted that he was with King when the latter committed the murder, but denied that he shot first. King claimed.



Company A of the Sixth Infantry on the hike from one camp to another in Mexico.

ALL MILITIA IS ORDERED TO BORDER

(By United Press)
Washington, Aug. 12.—The War Department today issued a general order for all militiamen still remaining in their respective States, to proceed to the border as soon as transportation can be obtained.

WILSON WANTS TO CONSULT WITH RAILROAD MEN

(By United Press)
Washington, Aug. 12.—President Wilson has advised the railroad employees, who are about to strike, that he would like to consult with them before they taken any drastic action.

TEN PER CENT TAX ON MUNITIONS IS ADDED BY SENATE TO HOUSE BILL

Washington, Aug. 12.—At a meeting of the Democratic members of the senate finance committee yesterday it was decided to report an addition to the emergency revenue measure carrying a 10 per cent tax on all war munitions. The tax, it is calculated, will raise in the neighborhood of 45 million in revenue and is designated to meet the copper tax and munitions tax provided in the house bill.

The amendment agreed upon yesterday provides a 10 per cent tax on the net profits of all corporations and concerns manufacturing munitions of all kinds including projectiles, shells or torpedoes, cannon, machine guns, rifles, and bayonets, electric motor boats, submarines or submersible vessels or boats, or any parts of the above mentioned articles. It would likewise impose a 10 per cent tax on the net profits of all corporations or concerns supplying material used in the manufacture of munitions. The tax is to apply to the present calendar year and remain in effect until one year after the termination of present European war which shall be evidenced by the proclamation of the President of the United States. It is estimated that the senate revenue bill when finally completed will raise approximately \$198,000,000 compared to the anticipated receipts of \$197,000,000 under the house measure.

PUBLISH NAMES OF HOTELS.

All Hotels Scoring Excellent to be Published in Monthly Health Bulletin.
Raleigh, Aug. 13.—The State Board of Health makes the announcement that the names of all hotels of the State making the grade of excellent, which is a score of from 90 to 100, on being inspected by the State Board of Health, will be published monthly in the Health Bulletin. The Board is of the opinion that the public should know which hotels are sanitary and safe, and that all hotels making this score are entitled to this recognition. The Board began its inspection work this week and already a number of hotels have been visited and thoroughly inspected. According to Dr. G. M. Cooper, who recently returned from an inspection trip in the eastern part of the State, most of the hotels are showing up favorably.

LURED 3,000 GIRLS INTO WHITE SLAVERY, CLAIMED

"King of White Slave Trust" Has Been Arrested. Startling Confession Has Been Made of Methods Used

New York, Aug. 12.—Using well dressed young men as his agents, Yusef Botwin, confessed "King of the White Slave Trust," was the means of luring 3,000 girls from their homes into dens of vice during the last ten years. Many of his victims were only sixteen years of age. They were generally from families too poor to provide them with good clothes and entertainment. Botwin's agents loitered around school buildings and flirted with the girls who were most attractive in looks. After an acquaintance had been struck up, the men gave the

girls boxes of candy and took them out on automobile rides. In the end, these trips would lead to restaurants in the white light districts and would "wind up" by spending the night in some hotel. The girls were then induced to write notes to their mothers, saying that they had eloped. They were next taken to some near-by city for a few weeks and were then brought back to New York, where they were placed into disorderly houses. Sensational revelations are expected in the investigation which has been started.

Universal Military Training Seems Certain

(By United Press)
Washington, Aug. 12.—Unless politicians thwart it, universal military training will arise for the present border situation, is the opinion of many men. The present system is only about

thirty or forty per cent efficient. This is believed to be no reflection on the spirit of the men, but the system is faulty, it is said. It places an unfair burden on a few. Secretary of War Baker believes in "universal obligation."

SOUTH CREEK GIVES BATH A TROUNCING

Interesting Baseball Game Felled off at Bath. South Creek Sluggers Live up to Reputation.

South Creek, Aug. 11.—The South Creek base ball team defeated Bath yesterday on the latter's ground, the score being 8 to 0. The game was very close until the seventh inning, neither team being able to score. In the last three innings the South Creek boys hit Wallace at their will, Stephens and Hollowell leading in the slugging.

The main feature of the game was a beautiful running catch made by St Messick in center field, when Bath had three men on and two out. It was a line drive and looked good for a home run.

The South Creek team played an errorless game. The batteries were: Bath: Wallace and Arnold. South Creek: G. West Sawyer and W. West.

A COUNTRY CHAT

(By W. A. MISH)
A stranger called in to see us the other day tired and jaded out from his long journey through the country. Well, it was hot and sultry and I had been working pretty hard and I thought I would "kill" a little time and try to cool off while I quizzed him relative to the political situation. Well, he informed me that the political horizon was fair for the Hon. Woodrow Wilson this fall if his friends did not "hoo-doo" or freeze him out and he told us implicitly that he did not see a line of hope for Hughes.

92 KILLED IN W. VA. FLOOD

(By United Press)
Charleston, W. Va., Aug. 12.—Ninety-two persons are known to have perished in the floods, according to an official report to Governor Hatfield.

EXPLOSION KILLS FIVE IN COLORADO MINE

Denver, Colo., Aug. 12.—An explosion in the Del Rio mines this morning killed five miners and injured seven others. All of the bodies have been recovered. The cause of the explosion has not yet been determined.

James H. Wilson, of New Bern, is spending the day in the city attending to business matters. He leaves this evening for Rocky Mount.

At this time we had cooled off and had not fired our visitor either. Our attention was attracted by the butter flies making butter and the grasshoppers making grass and the caterpillars making oats. Well, all this had proved so intensely interesting that when we referred to our friend he had vanished—"got left" just like Hughes will this fall, I thank you.

AUSTRIANS UNABLE TO CHECK THE RUSSIANS

SLAVS ADVANCED PAST STANISLAU AND ARE NOW HENT ON CAPTURE OF OTHER CITIES.

DRIVE HASN'T SLOWED UP

No Check in the Steady Progress the Russians Are Making. Twenty Towns—Captured in Four Days. Austrians Are Completely Demoralized.

(By United Press)
London, Aug. 12.—The advance guard of the Russian force that occupied Stanislaw, has pressed on two miles northeast of the city, crossing two rivers and advancing to eighteen miles south of Halicz. The Teuton resistance is weak. They are retreating to Halicz. Two Russian forces are now converging on Halicz, which is General Betschak's immediate objective in his drive to Lemberg. Dispatches indicate that the Russian drive has not even been slowed up. It is said to be the most rapid advance of the war since the Teuton's Balkan campaign.

In four days, the Slavs progressed twenty miles over bad roads and crossing three rivers. They captured twenty towns. Advances from both Petrograd and Rome suggest that the Austrian demoralization may be greater than suspected.

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