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LOUISBURG TOBACCO MARKET OPENS.

AVERAGE FOR SALE ABOVE 27 CENTS

Over One Hundred and Twenty Thousand Pounds Sold On the Three Floors Wednesday—High Prices Satisfy Farmers.

Possibly the most satisfactory opening sale the Louisburg Tobacco Market has ever had was held on Wednesday when about one hundred and twenty-five thousand pounds were sold at an average of above 27 cents a pound.

Louisburg has made a splendid start on this season's selling, taking the lead from all the markets in this section in the average price, and our warehousemen inform us they expect to make it hold its place.

There was quite a large number of visitors here from other markets and other counties, and all expressed great pleasure and satisfaction at the high prices paid on the sale Wednesday.

County Commissioners.

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday with all members present. After reading and approving the minutes of the previous meeting business as follows was disposed of:

E. L. Perry was allowed to list his taxes.

F. W. Parnell, administrator for T. J. Parnell, of Sandy Creek Township, was allowed to list taxes for 1917.

E. L. Fuller and O. Z. Edwards were allowed to list taxes for 1917, both of Sandy Creek township.

Otis Ball and Louis Ball, of Harris Township, were allowed to list their taxes for 1917.

Anderson, Thomas Harris and Daniel Harris were allowed to list their taxes for 1917.

The property of the Fosberg Lumber Company was ordered marked off of tax list for 1917.

P. B. Fogg, W. F. Branch and Ed. Denton were allowed to list taxes for 1917.

It was ordered that the old Treasurer's office be rented to Miss Brickell when not needed by the county and when vacated by Miss Smith, \$3.00 per month.

J. J. Holden, superintendent of the County Home, presented his report which was received. He reported ten white and eleven negro inmates. A petition for a good roads election for Gold Mine Township was received and granted.

The list of jurors was drawn for the October term of Franklin Superior Court, and will be published in our next issue.

After allowing a number of accounts, the Board adjourned to its next regular meeting.

New Organization.

The Woman's Committee of the United States Council of National Defense has been given the task of organizing and directing the woman power of America in all things which will help to win the war. The committee has appointed a representative in each State, and these in turn have named a representative in each county. Mrs. J. A. Turner, of Louisburg, has been appointed chairman of the Franklin county committee, and has issued a call to each president of every woman's club, society, or organization in the county to meet at her home Thursday morning, September 13th, at eleven o'clock, to organize a Franklin County Committee, which will in turn proceed as rapidly as possible to establish auxiliary units in each township. It has been impossible to get the names of all the presidents of all the church societies, betterment associations, community clubs, etc., in the county, but each organization is urged to send its president or some

representative woman from its membership to this important meeting.

Whether you have received an individual invitation from the chairman or not you are needed and expected to attend. Remember the date, and let every leader (or her representative) of every organization of women in the county be present, and render gladly their patriotic service her country is now demanding of her.

Miss Underhill Back From Hospital.

Miss Ina C. Underhill, who underwent an operation at Rex Hospital three weeks ago, has sufficiently recovered to be brought home. She was accompanied home by her sister, Mrs. Baxter B. Benson, of Raleigh.

Rock Spring Revival.

Beginning Sunday afternoon, three o'clock Pastor W. M. Gilmora will begin a series of evangelistic meetings at Rock Springs Church, seven miles south of this city. Dr. Jack A. Ellis, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Dunn, will assist the pastor.

Dr. Ellis, who is well and favorably known in this county, having been pastor of the Corinth church for a number of years while a student at Wake Forest, is a young man of unusual gifts.

Meetings will be held daily during the week at 3 p. m. and 7:30 p. m.

RENDERSON GIRL IS VICTIM OF PISTOL FIRED BY NEGRO.

15-Year-Old Jessie Roth Not Expected To Live As Result of Shooting—Feeling High and Summary Punishment Narrowly Averted; Mob Holds Up Train and Search Coaches For Negro—Officers Think He Was Crazy By Dope.

Jessie Roth, fifteen-year-old daughter of Gustav Roth, of Henderson, was the victim of two bullets fired from a pistol by George Green, a thirty-year-old negro man, on the principal business street of that town Tuesday afternoon and a late report from the hospital, where she was carried following the shooting, indicated that only one chance in five thousand for her to live.

To the officers who safely carried him to Raleigh early Tuesday night for safe keeping, the negro stated that he had no reason whatever for his deed. No one else has been able to figure the least plausible theory for a shooting that stirred Henderson in to make unsuccessful attempts to capture the negro, apparently crazed, in custody and administer summary punishment. Such a course was frustrated only by a mistaken identity of a car in which Sheriff J. C. Bell was carrying his prisoner to Raleigh.

According to the story of the little girl, who was conscious after the bullets had been removed, the negro man fired at her three times, the shots taking effect. Both were running while she was running from the negro, one entering her arm and the other her back. She was just turning into Patrick's garage on Garnett street when she fell from the effect of the pistol shot that pierced her arm.

The first observed the negro peeping from behind a telephone post when she saw that his actions were suspicious, she turned and started running. The negro then jumped from the post and began firing while hitting her. After she fell he continued firing at random until his gun had been emptied, one of the stray bullets striking Mary Redford, a white woman who was standing in the garage door into which the little girl had started to turn.

Revival At Mapleville.

The revival meeting which began at Maple Springs Church Sunday, August 24th, closed Friday. Rev. C. F. Hudson, a 1916 graduate of Wake Forest, and now a student of the Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., did the preaching. Mr. Hudson preaches the gospel with rare charm and simplicity and goes after the evils of today with gloves off. The opinion was expressed by many that he is the strongest young preacher they ever heard. The meeting was well attended. The church was greatly revived and three were baptized into the fellowship of the church.

A TRIBUTE.

Our Boys From Among Us.

Louisburg, Sept. 6th, 1917.—July 25th was a memorable day in Louisburg when it was learned that the Company D boys were summoned into camp there, preparatory for the call to service.

It is not hard to picture the grief of the homes on this day of the mothers and the wives as they bade these loved ones good bye.

Tho' the distance of separation was not great, they knew it must be the first step to a wider separation.

The first Sunday of their encampment, and many other days following, witnessed many visitors making their way to Camp Thomas at the Fair Grounds to see the boys.

It was gratifying to find them in such splendid quarters, the broad open cleared grounds, the roomy well ventilated exhibit buildings, where the cots were comfortably placed near the windows, the "kitchen" neatly and tastefully furnished with a large oak and other trees which lent shade for the boys' comfort at any hour.

It was not infrequent to see waiters sent in the direction of the camp and sometimes the watermelon treat for all. On one occasion one of our ladies treated the camp to ice cream. Frequently "nigh lunches" from the home tables were sent to them.

The Red Letter Day of the encampment in Louisburg was August 2nd, the day of the great public speaking, when Governor Bickett, Hon. James H. Pou, and Colonel Cox spoke on the war to the old and new soldiers, and the patriotic people of our town and community, an assembly of a thousand people.

Governor Bickett made a short and eloquent address on the war, then introduced Mr. Pou declaring the State claimed no more patriotic man than Mr. Pou, who long before the Liberty Bond Sale, had paid a yearly stipend to the Republic of France, who when the Liberty Bond issue was proclaimed responded generously, who had given to the State in publication a store of knowledge on the war and lastly who had given most heroically his own son who volunteered for service long before the draft. Mr. Bickett sat down in the midst of loud applause with which Louisburg always acclaims him.

Mr. Pou held the attention of this large assembly for over an hour, presenting the war in a clearer light than it has been our opportunity to hear before.

Colonel Cox aroused enthusiasm in his address chiefly to the new soldiers, he one of them, entering upon the field of service, having already gained a reputation on the border to make our Old North State proud of him.

The floating flags and national colors, together with the patriotic selections from the Raleigh Orchestra heightened the spirit of enthusiasm on this occasion.

When all were invited to dinner the sight of the long tables loaded with all the viands of a picnic was most pleasing. The first served were the Old Veterans and the New Soldiers. The ladies were kept busy all day at the two lemonade stands. Long will August 2nd be remembered as a gala day in the town and county.

News of the telegram Wednesday afternoon, August 29th, calling our boys to Greenville Thursday afternoon spread quickly over the town bringing sadness with the message. Having anticipated the call for them almost any day the ladies of the Red Cross Society made a great effort to complete the comfort bags, and it was a source of pleasure to them, the town folk and the country, that they could present to the boys on the day of their departure these tokens of their thought of them.

At Camp Thomas, 9 o'clock Thursday morning, a large crowd gathered to witness the presentation of the bags. Rev. N. H. D. Wilson addressed them in fitting and appropriate words expressing a deep sympathy for them in the noble call which is theirs and voicing the love and sentiment of the people for them in the presentation of the bags; ending his address with an eloquent and fervent prayer for the protection and welfare of the gallant and heroic soldier boys. Lieutenant Dickens accepted the bags for the Company, thanking the ladies for this gift of love and too placing a

higher value on the real comfort of the bags for their needs in camp.

Capt. Boddie then expressed his and the Company's sincere appreciation and gave command to the boys to break ranks.

At noon one of our prominent citizens treated all the camp to ice cream, another sent the boys about a hundred packages of cigarettes.

A great crowd followed the boys to the train in a down-pour of rain which set in as they began their march through town. Until the train pulled out from the station they kept up a brave spirit, cheering and singing.

News came quickly to us of their royal reception in Franklinton where, with the Franklinton Company and many visitors from both towns, they were served a sumptuous feast.

Now these boys have gone from among us, and we do miss them—just seeing them pass to and fro, and the thought comes to us, after all, how little we did for them while in our midst, how much more we might have done. The serious import of them in our midst, of our obligation to them in our midst, of our obligation to them perhaps never dawned entirely upon us.

We never entered into full sympathy, those of us who had no relatives among them with the mothers, wives and sweethearts who were giving up their dearest possessions.

They have gone from among us to fight for our country, to fight for our America, for our people, for our State, for our own County, aye, even for the individual who has to remain at home to protect his family.

With full realization of this fact, surely no mercenary gain, no selfish object, nor ambition would prompt any one to withhold influence or money that would lend aid to these boys or the drafted to follow.

Miss Crudup, Who Is Going To France, Visits Louisburg.

Miss Columbia Crudup, of New York, who is a member of the Bellevue Hospital Unit, No. 1, ran down Monday to bid her sisters, Mrs. R. P. Taylor and Miss Lillie Crudup, of this place, and Miss Annie D. Crudup, of Wake Forest, goodbye before leaving for France or Russia as a Red Cross nurse. Her unit, which has 65 members in it, will be the next to be sent to the war zone.

Miss Crudup is a native of this city and has many friends in this State who will be interested in her new venture. She has been in New York for a number of years. A few months ago she went to Paris on a special case and had quite a thrilling experience. She is enthusiastic over going as a Red Cross nurse and is anxious to reach her destination.

List of Letters.

The following is a list of letters remaining in the Postoffice at Louisburg, N. C., not called for September 7, 1917:

- Miss Agnes Daniels. Mr. Tom Fuller. J. Ellis Jaynes. Mr. James Johnson. Miss Annie Long. Mr. C. E. Rogers. The following have been returned from the Dead Letter Office: Albert Wilson. Persons calling for any of the above letters will please state that they saw them advertised. R. H. DAVIS, P. M.

Auto Accident.

What came near being a serious automobile accident on Monday evening was when Master Hill Yarborough driving a Ford five-passenger car ran over little Sid Holden, on Church street. Fortunately the little fellow, who is a little over three years old, was knocked down and drug under the car for a short distance, instead of being crushed by the wheels. He received several bruises, but suffered no serious injuries. The little fellow was in the street when Hill passed and was struck before the car could be stopped. Some say the driver was looking backward, and never saw the little fellow until it was too late.

Card of Thanks.

I wish to thank one and all of the neighbors for their kindness and assistance in the sickness and death of my wife and baby. J. J. HOLMES.

THE MOVING PEOPLE.

SOME YOU KNOW, SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Many on Business, Many on Pleasure, Others to be Going, But All Going or Coming.

Mr. C. E. Johnson, of Apex, was a visitor to Louisburg Wednesday.

Mr. P. J. Brown, who has been in Philadelphia, has returned home.

Mr. James L. Beck, of Richmond, Va., is visiting his son, Mr. R. C. Beck.

Attorney T. T. Hicks, of Henderson was in attendance at court here the past week.

Miss Mary Edum Burt left Tuesday for Greensboro to enter the Greensboro College for Women.

Mrs. J. S. Millikin, Mrs. L. M. Jones of Millikin, La., and Mrs. T. A. Persop, of Greenville, are visiting at the home of Mr. A. W. Person.

Miss Julia Evelyn Macon and Mrs. Lou Andrews, of Memphis, Tenn., have been visiting their uncle, Mr. W. J. Macon, near Louisburg.

Miss Mary Williams, accompanied by Miss Annie Laurie Macon, left Friday night for New York to enter a hospital for treatment.

Camp Sevier.

Greenville, S. C., Sept. 2, 1917.

Dear Asher:

If you can spare me a small space in the Times, I would like, in behalf of Captain Whitfield, myself and the entire company to thank the Red Cross and other ladies of Franklinton for the interest they took in us while we were quartered in Camp Keamer, Franklinton, N. C. We would have feared badly enroute without those delicious lunches so generously prepared by those ladies. We reached Greenville about 7 o'clock p. m. Friday, in the rain and darkness it was impossible to get out to camp before Saturday noon. Long will each and every member of the company remember that last day spent at home. It is a common wish expressed throughout the company, that they could live over again that last day, every day in the year. We have a nice camp and I think we are going to like it fine.

We are quartered in what was a cornfield but which has been cleared of the corn and we are now putting it in shape. We will all appreciate letters or cards from friends. The boys are in the best spirits. I have never seen a jollier bunch, and I am sure if we were called to France they would be just as jolly. We made a record on this trip—not a man has taken a drink since we received orders to entrain for this place. Quite a contrast between this place and El Paso. There is very little vice here as yet, where vice of every description abounded in El Paso. Will try to write again soon. Yours truly, EM. EDWARDS.

President Wilson Welcomes Drafted Men Into Service.

Washington, Sept. 3.—Soldiers of the National Army were welcomed into the nation's service today by President Wilson with a message of affectionate confidence and a prayer to God to keep and guide them. Everything these young men do, the President told them, will be watched with the deepest solicitude by the whole country, and the eyes of the world will be upon them because they are "in some special sense the soldiers of freedom."

The first soldiers for the army raised under the draft law start from their homes for training cantonments Wednesday. The President asks them, as brothers and comrades in the great war to keep straight and fit by a standard so high that living up to it will add a new laurel to the crown of America.

The message follows: "The White House, Washington.

"To the Soldiers of the National Army: "You are undertaking a great duty. The heart of the whole country is with you. Everything that you do will be watched with the deepest interest and with the deepest solicitude not only by those who are near and dear to you, but by the whole nation, besides. For this great war draws us all to-

gether, makes us all comrades and brothers, as all true Americans felt themselves to be when we first made good our national independence. The eyes of all the world will be upon you, because you are in some special sense the soldiers of freedom. Let it be your pride, therefore, to show all men everywhere not only what good soldiers you are, but also what good men you are, keeping yourselves fit and straight in everything and pure and clean through and through. Let us set for ourselves a standard so high that it will be a glory to live up to it and then let us live up to it and add a new laurel to the crown of America. My affectionate confidence goes with you in every battle and every test. God keep and guide you. "WOODROW WILSON."

LOUISBURG GRADED SCHOOL OPEN.

Large Attendance Tuesday, The First Day—All of Faculty Present.

The 1917-18 session of the Louisburg Graded Schools began under flattering auspices on Tuesday. The preliminary exercises were interesting and much appreciated by those who were present.

Wilson's Note Deeply Stirs the Political Circles in Germany.

(By the Associated Press.)

London, Sept. 3.—A Reuter dispatch from Amsterdam says:

"According to reliable information President Wilson's reply to Pope Benedict's peace proposal made a profound impression in political circles in Germany. Mathias Erzberger, member of the clerical center of the Reichstag, who believes he is backed by a majority of the Reichstag, is expected, at the next sitting of the main committee of that body, to demand legislation for the immediate introduction by a government responsible to the Reichstag and the abandonment by the government of its plea of inability to act regarding Alsace-Lorraine to the extent of proposing that the decision regarding the allegiance of these territories shall be left to their inhabitants. It is expected that he will advocate general disarmament after the war.

"It is considered possible that the Reichstag will be dissolved soon after it reassembles and that general elections will be ordered.

"Of noteworthy interest is the statement of Dr. Eduard David, Socialist leader of the Reichstag, in yesterday's Vorwaerts, the German Socialist organ. Dr. David maintains that the Reichstag has constitutional means of enforcing its will, as no government can continue to rule against its veto. He says that new elections, within which the soldiers at the front would participate, would clearly show how the ship of state must be steered. He says he confidently expects a crushing defeat of the Pan-Germans and annexationists."

J. F. Joyner Loses Residence By Fire.

The residence known as the old Lewis place, about one and a half miles from town, and forming a portion of the old Joe Fuller tract, now owned by Mr. J. Frank Joyner, was destroyed by fire on Sunday night. Mr. Joyner had just remodeled the building and had moved a portion of his household effects therein, and intended to occupy same on Tuesday. The cause of the fire is unknown. The damage is estimated at about \$1,000, with no insurance.

Life of Christ.

The Business Mens' Bible Class of the Methodist church are just entering on the study of the Life of Christ. The men of the congregation are urged to join the class and become saviors in the incalculable benefits of that study.

Mapleville Academy Opening.

We have been requested to announce that Mapleville Academy opens Monday, September 12th. It is earnestly desired that all children expecting to attend school this year be present on opening day. Patrons and parents are cordially welcomed and especially urged to visit the school at any and all times, and especially will their presence be desired on opening day.