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ACCIDENTLY SHOT

AT FAIR GROUNDS THURSDAY NIGHT OF LAST WEEK

President Ben T. Holden, of the Franklin County Fair Association, Received Wound in Hip—Now Recovering in Hospital.

As the result of a pistol shot intended for another party missing its mark at the fair grounds on Thursday night of last week, President Ben T. Holden, of the Franklin County Fair Association, is in the Rex Hospital, Raleigh, suffering from a wound in his hip.

From what we can learn there were several in the Secretary's office raising a disturbance and Dr. A. H. Fleming, Secretary, after being unable to quiet them sent for Chief of Police High, Chief High and one of his assistants went to the scene and upon their arrival Mr. R. C. Beck came out of the office and was arrested by the Chief, who called to someone "to take hold." Constable R. W. Hudson being near took hold of Mr. Beck. Mr. Sterling Brickel, a brother-in-law of Mr. Beck came up and words and blows between him and Mr. Hudson took place which resulted in Mr. Hudson firing at Mr. Brickel. The ball missed the mark and passed through the side of the Secretary's office taking effect in Pres. Holden's hip.

The last reports from Pres. Holden is that he is recovering nicely and expected to return home soon.

Woman's Liberty Loan Work

In every city, town and village, and at every crossroad and country school house in the United States bonfires will be lighted on the night of Tuesday, Oct. 23, by direction of the local officers of the Woman's Liberty Loan Committee, for the double purpose of calling attention to the fact that the Second Liberty Loan of 1917 will close on Saturday, Oct. 27, and of symbolizing the truth that America is keeping alight the fires of liberty.

The fires of St. John, those beacons of faith which have burned on the hills of Europe for twenty centuries, have been trampled to ashes by the tread of the armies of invasion and devastation. For the first time in the history of Christianity the embers from which on St. John's Eve the peasant-women of the world took living coals to their own hearthstones failed to glow lest they bring down the shells from the enemy's aircraft. For the women overseas the fires may not be kindled till the war is done. But the women of America hold the duty of blazing to the world the truth of Liberty, of keeping alight the fires of freedom. That we may not forget that duty and that we may the better understand that the Liberty Loan is not merely a good investment but a sacred obligation of patriotism and a promise to those who fight for us and with us in the struggle of right against might, we women of the United States will set upon the hills of our country on the eve of Liberty Day beacons which will flame out our belief in the righteousness of our cause; and from the embers we will take to our homes the coals of courage and of determination to make sacrifices for that liberty which our lands keeping alight for the guidance of a darkened world.

Torchlight processions, barbecues, speeches and various other local celebrations have been planned already by the local committee to take place in connection with the "Liberty Fires." More than one hundred thousand County Chairmen of the Woman's Liberty Loan Committee have already begun plans for the celebrations which every man, woman and child in the county may participate as signals of the closing of the Second Liberty Loan.

Attention!

We appreciate fully the assistance that has been given us by the few in Franklin county who have contributed to the Woman's committee of the Council of Defense work. We cannot understand why so few have answered our appeal. We should have had a response from half the people in the county before this time.

Will you try to bear this need in mind and send your contribution to Mrs. W. E. Uzzie at Mapleville as soon as possible? We women of

Franklin are giving our service willingly, but we cannot do the work required of us without financial assistance from the people of the county.

We are at work for food production, food conservation, women in industry, child welfare, public health, education, social service, liberty loan, home and foreign relief, and the safeguarding of the moral and spiritual forces in our county, all of which are necessary things required by the government at this time.

As stated before in this paper we do not want to have to make personal appeal, or resort to ice cream and oyster suppers for the necessary money to carry on these lines of work. But we shall unless you respond at once. Nothing can live without some means of subsistence. The names given below are those who have already contributed.

- Mr. John R. Earl \$1.00
Mrs. J. E. Malone \$1.00
Mrs. R. F. Yarborough \$1.00
Mr. J. A. Turner \$1.00
Mrs. Mary E. Perry \$1.00
Mrs. G. M. Raynor \$1.00

At Hayes School

If you want to have a good time and help a good cause, be sure to go to Hayes School, Oct. 31st at 7.30 o'clock.

There will be a big hallow'een party. You can buy anything you want from boxes down and up.

A STEADY ADVANCE

IN TOBACCO PRICES ON LOCAL MARKET

Good Sales the Past Week With Averages for Entire Week Around \$34 to \$35.

The conditions on the local tobacco market the past week have been especially encouraging and satisfactory both to the growers and warehousemen alike. The prices have been the highest that have ever been paid on the local market and the tendency for further advances seems especially encouraging. The buyers are all eager to get the weed and are willing to pay their limits for it. During the past week the several sales have made averages on entire breaks of around \$34 to \$35 per hundred. Louisburg is naturally situated for one of the best tobacco markets in the State and it is living up to this advantage this year. Come to Louisburg with your next load.

Two German Torpedo Boats Sunk

Petrograd, Oct. 16.—Two German torpedo boats were sunk, two others were damaged and one Russian torpedo boat went to the bottom in an engagement Sunday in Soela Sound, north of Oesel Island, the Russian official statement announces.

The Russian craft sunk was the Grom, (destroyer of 1,100 tons, built in 1914-15, speed 34 knots, complement 93 men). More than a dozen German torpedo boats had forced their way through Soela Sound, supported by a German battleship, when they were met by the Russians and turned back.

Birthday Party at Seven Paths

At their home Mr. Arthur and Miss Eula Wilder gave a birthday party Tuesday night, Oct. 16. At an early hour the gallant young folks began to gather in the parlor which had been very beautifully decorated for the occasion. Plum and yellow being the color scheme.

Punch of the most appetizing kind was served in the hall. For several hours the guests very abundantly amused themselves with different games.

At a late hour the guests were ushered to the dining room, where cake and syllabub were served.

It was declared that the cow that gave such milk was wanted.

As the guests were departing and syllabub were served.

Those present from a distance were: Messrs. Howell G. Jones, of Katesville; Medley of Bunn, Miss Lillie Jones of Spring Hope.

All departing declared it a pleasant evening.

Thrift is one of the corner stones on which manhood must be constructed.

FRANKLIN SUPERIOR COURT

HON. C. C. LYON JUDGE PRESIDING

Many Submissions—No Cases of Particular Importance Tried so far This Term.

The regular October term of Franklin Superior Court for criminal cases convened on Monday with His Honor Judge C. C. Lyon presiding. After drawing the grand jury Judge Lyon delivered a very intelligent and interesting charge which was very clear and to the point, showing the importance of the duty of the grand jurors properly performing their duty. The grand jury is composed of the following gentlemen: S. F. Holden, Foreman, G. F. Alford, C. H. Mullen, L. S. Baker, G. R. Allen, M. L. Ransdell, J. M. Lamm, Arthur Strickland, W. H. Byrum, J. E. Collins, A. A. Clifton, T. P. Williams, M. D. Wilder, C. S. Merritt, J. S. Wilson, G. T. Ayescue, Jr., W. G. Faulkner, J. A. Spencer, John B. Smith, was chosen as officer to the grand jury.

Hon. H. E. Norris, Solicitor, was present and ably represented the State in the prosecution of the several cases.

The Court then disposed of business as follows:

State vs Tom Davis, affray, defendant appeared and discharged.

State vs Ed Hudson, breaking in store, nol pros with leave.

State vs Kern Bryant, C. C. W., capias and continued.

State vs Jesse J. Clarke, seduction, continued.

State vs Govan Cheek, abandonment, two years on roads.

State vs William Bailey, A. D. W., C. C. W., A. D. W., continued.

State vs B. T. Bailey, A. D. W., C. C. W., continued.

State vs Manse Ruffin, murder, capias and continued.

State vs Peter Anderson and Wash Anderson, A. D. W., pleads guilty, after having paid prosecuting witness damages judgment was suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs Perry Wright and E. B. J. Loyd, A. D. W., assault and C. C. W., defendants plead guilty, judgment Wright to pay a fine of \$10 and costs, Loyd fined \$5 and costs. The judgment in case for C. C. W. was suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs Alonzo Hartfield, C. C. W., pleads guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of cost.

State vs Eddie Perry and Willie Perry, retailing, nol guilty.

State vs Nick Cooke, larceny, pleads guilty, four months in jail, to be hired to Mr. R. P. Taylor.

State vs Henry Luke Williams, larceny, pleads guilty, four months in jail with leave to hire out to Mr. R. P. Taylor to pay costs.

State vs David Jeffrey, Joe Kearney, Thomas Debnam and Roy Yarboro, crap shooting, pleads guilty, fined \$5 each and costs.

State vs Willie McGhee and Tommie Mitchell, unlawful possession of whiskey, pleads guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs Major H. Alston, A. D. W., pleads guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs Bertie Snead, cruelty to animals, defendant enters plea of nolo contendere, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs Alex Moore, L and R, pleads guilty, 12 months on roads.

State vs Tom Farrer, larceny, pleads guilty, 3 years on roads.

State vs John Yarboro, larceny, pleads guilty, 12 months in jail with leave to hire out, to E. N. Williams.

State vs John Moore, A. D. W., pleads guilty, six months on roads.

State vs John Moore, C. C. W., pleads guilty, 6 months on roads.

State vs Robert Harris, A. D. W., C. C. W., pleads guilty, fined \$50.00 and costs in case of C. C. W., judgment suspended upon payment of costs in case of A. D. W.

State vs Bennett Jones, disposing of mortgaged property, continued and to be first case tried in January 1918 term.

State vs Peter Bullock, removing crops, nol prosred with leave.

State vs F. N. Spivey, appeal, nol pros with leave.

CLOSES SUCCESSFUL YEAR

FRATERNAL PARADE A BIG AFFAIR

Saturday, the Day for the Colored People, Was Well Attended, and a Very Creditable Parade Given.

With Saturday night the Franklin County Fair Association closed one of the most successful fairs in the history of the county.

The week has been one of much fun and interest for large numbers of people each day and the exhibits were excellent. Each of the booths deserves special mention and the agricultural and live-stock exhibits were fine.

Friday was Fraternal Day and one of the largest fraternal parades ever seen in Louisburg was staged. It was a beautiful sight to one who understands the meaning of membership in the great and glorious orders represented, to realize the existence of a "tie that binds" so many together in brotherly love.

Saturday was the day set apart for the colored people and they made good use of the day. Large numbers were present and the parade was a credit to them.

The amusement companies left on Monday morning for Raleigh where they exhibited at the State Fair.

State vs Lee Baker, C. C. W., nol pros.

State vs Lee Baker and D. F. McKinne, sci fa., discharged.

State vs M. A. Cohen, false pretense, nol prosred.

Court adjourned on Tuesday evening until Thursday morning to allow those connected therewith to attend the fair. It resumed work yesterday morning.

Program for Franklin County Baraca-Philathea Union

The following program has been arranged for the Franklin County Baraca-Philathea Union to be held with the Perry Chapel classes, Saturday and Sunday, November 3rd and 4th.

Saturday

2.00 P. M. A sermon; meeting of officers and committees.

7.30 P. M. Devotional exercises, conducted by Miss Mamie Dickens. Paper, What the convention should mean to our classes, Mrs. G. P. Harrell. Paper, What it means to be a delegate to our conventions. Social meeting.

Sunday

10.00 A. M. Devotional exercises by B. W. Ballard.

10.30 A. M. Business meeting.

11.00 A. M. Address, Dr. Love, President of Louisburg College.

12 Noon. Dinner.

1.00 P. M. Report of committees.

1.15 P. M. Presentation of Banner to class reporting best work done since last convention, E. B. Cox.

1.30 P. M. Address, Rev. J. F. Mitchell.

Perry's Chapel is five miles west of Louisburg. It is easily reached from every direction. The entertaining classes are anxious for this to be the best convention yet. They want to entertain representatives from every class in the county. Every class should make an effort to have their delegates present Saturday afternoon and evening as well as Sunday. The program for Saturday evening was planned to be instructive to delegates especially, therefore we ask that all classes have some one there to represent them.

The Secretary of the Union is not sending report blanks for formal reports this time. We desire every class to make a report in the form of a letter giving a description of all work done by the class since last Union meeting. These reports will then be given to a committee which will decide which class wins the honor of being the banner class.

An attempt to secure a quartette from Wake Forest College is being made. This feature of the last convention proving so very enjoyable.

This must be the best convention in the history of the County Union. To this end let every class work.

ANNIE M. WILDER, Secretary Franklin County Baraca-Philathea Union

Costa Rica has 441,342 people.

Educational Sermon at St. Paul's Church Sunday Night, Oct. 21.

Rev. Francis M. Osborne, Special Representative of the Board of Trustees of St. Mary's School, Raleigh, will preach an educational sermon at evening services in St. Paul's Church at 7.30 o'clock.

Every member of St. Paul's parish is urged to attend, and a cordial invitation to the public is extended. The services will be of especial interest, and visitors are always cordially welcomed.

List of Letters

The following is a list of letters remaining in the post office at Louisburg, N. C., not called for Oct. 19, 1917.

- Miss Lonie Ayscue.
Bula Clements
William F. Conyers
Miss Annie Lee Edwards
Miss Ora Holden
Miss Lizzie Horton
Sylvia Jenkins
Miss Mamie Liles
J. B. Floyd
Dock Medlin
E. D. Oakley
Twit Richardson
Albert Richardson
Mrs. Annie Roberson
Mr. Willie Williams

All persons calling for any of the above letters will please state that they saw them advertised.

R. H. DAVIS, Postmaster.

THE WORLD WAR

NO CESSATION IN GERMAN RAID ON ISLAND OF OESSEL

Forces of British and French Still Keep in Trenches While Big Guns Roar

Apparently there has been no cessation in the rapid program of the Germans to seize in its entirety the Russian Island of Oesel at the head of the Gulf of Finland. But although their troops now have taken the greater portions of the island, the aid they had expected from their fleet in putting down Russian opposition in adjacent waters is meeting with considerable resistance from the Russian warships.

The Russians are disinclined to throw their naval vessels into a general engagement with the invaders, fearing that the superiority of the Germans would result in losses to them which would leave open the gateway through the Gulf of Finland up to Petrograd. But in a small battle with torpedo craft and possibly light cruisers, the Russians have sunk two German torpedo boats and damaged two others in Soela Sound, to the north of Oesel Island, while the Russians themselves lost a torpedo boat destroyer. The German vessels which were accompanied by a battleship put to sea after the engagement.

The German land forces are now driving hard against the Svorb peninsula, on the south western portion of the island of Oesel, with the object of capturing the batteries at Serel, which dominate the eastern entrance to the Gulf of Riga. According to the Berlin war office, the Russians in this region are isolated, but are desperately resisting.

Berlin reports also that Abro Island off the southern coast of Oesel and Runo Island, in the middle of the Gulf of Riga, have been occupied by Teutonic troops. It is asserted that 2,400 prisoners, 30 guns, 21 machine guns and several airplanes were captured by the Germans in Oesel.

The troops of the Entente Allies are still keeping to their trenches in Flanders, probably awaiting a betterment of soil conditions, which the recent rains and flooded streams rendered almost impassable for attacks. Possibly Field Marshal Haig and the French commander on his left have not yet sufficiently pounded the German lines with their big guns to warrant the turning loose of the infantry for further gains. Day and night the British and French guns are showering the German positions with the usual mass of steel which is thrown upon them prior to an attack, while the Germans at various points, especially in the important salient of the Ypres Staden Railway, are replying vigorously.

To the south along the Aisne front

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.

The Society Editor of the Franklin Times will appreciate social news and news of interest to the women of Louisburg, and asks those who entertain or give social functions to communicate the facts to the Society Editor of the Franklin Times. Will also appreciate the news of the going and coming of people of Louisburg.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. McKinne returned Tuesday from a visit to New York. Mr. James E. King of Petersburg, Va., visited friends here the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodall of Raleigh were among the attendants at the Franklin County Fair the past week.

Mr. J. R. Perry and family, of Washington city, are on a visit to their people in and near town.

Mrs. Gus Cooke arrived Monday from Huntsville, Ala., to visit relatives and friends in and near town.

Miss Lottie Harris of Hurdles Mill is visiting Miss Elizabeth L. Allen at the College.

Miss Mildred Swain of Raleigh visited Miss Mary Cooper the past week.

Mr. Graham Griffin of Raleigh visited his people here the past week.

Miss Aileen Webb of Roxboro is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. M. Allen.

Mrs. R. G. McGrady of Raleigh spent the past week here with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Beam returned the past week from the western part of North Carolina, where they spent their honeymoon.

Messrs. W. H. Ruffin, Jr., William Bickett, William Neal, Capt. J. S. Allen and Maury Cralle of Chapel Hill spent the week-end in Louisburg the past week.

Mrs. B. T. Holden and Mr. S. C. Holden went over to Raleigh Sunday to see Mr. B. T. Holden, who is in the Rex Hospital.

Miss Ruth Lee who has been visiting Miss Florence Egerton has returned to her home in Raleigh.

Mr. Pel Mann of Nashville visited friends and relatives in town the past week.

Mr. William Andrews of Raleigh visited friends and relatives here the past week.

Mr. Henry May of Lynchburg, Va., was a visitor to Louisburg Monday.

Messrs. R. L. Stokes and J. B. Yarborough spent Monday in Raleigh.

Mr. W. T. Sledge, of Hickory, visited his people in and near Louisburg the past week.

Mr. D. F. McKinne returned the past week from a trip to the western horse markets.

Mr. W. J. Allen, who has been on a visit to his people at Roanoke, Va., has returned home.

Miss Louise Thomas is on a visit to relatives in Raleigh.

The Germans, after a lively bombardment, have again attacked the French and succeeded in penetrating their entrenchments. As has been customary the French immediately counter-attacked and regained the lost ground. Little fighting of great intensity, except by the artillery wings of the opposing forces, is taking place in any of the war theatres, but there is every indication that shortly along the Isonzo front in the Austro-Italian zone another big battle will begin.

Aerial raids in force have been resumed by British naval aviators on German positions in Belgium. The Bruges docks and several airbases have been successfully bombed.