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## HEARD ON THE STREETS

**WHAT OUR TOWN CORRESPONDENT HEARS AND THINKS—MATTERS OF PUBLIC INTEREST DISCUSSED.**

Mr. Jarvis Miller, of Caraway, was in town a few days ago.

Since the late rains the grass is again assuming its natural color of green.

Some folks hold on to a dollar like they are afraid it will never come back if they turn it loose.

We wouldn't mind winter so much if there was some way of canning watermelons.

Mr. J. C. Pierce, of near Asheboro, will teach at Central Falls this winter. He is an excellent teacher.

Mr. F. S. Lambeth, of Thomasville, is building a nice residence on his farm in Trinity township.

Mr. W. F. Redding, Jr., of the Caraway section, was a visitor to the city one day last week.

Not only South Carolina but the whole country is to be congratulated on the end of Bleaseism.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kearns, of Caraway Route 1, spent last Friday in town.

Mr. J. S. Lewis has recently made improvements at his home on Sunset Avenue.

Mr. A. Auman, of this place, has opened a store at Star. He will carry a general line of merchandise.

There are seven prisoners in the county jail awaiting the September term of court.

Mr. J. L. Royals, of Trinity Route 1, and one of our successful farmers, was here Saturday.

Messrs. Jonah Leach, Will Scarboro, Ben Lamonds and Carl King, of Star, were in town last Friday.

Mr. Ernest Leach, a prominent merchant of Star, was in town one day last week.

Mr. J. W. Prevo, of Thomasville, spent a few days at Randleman recently.

Mr. T. N. Harris, one of Troy's clever and popular travlieng salesman was a pleasant visitor in the city Saturday.

**The Democrats of Randolph county will elect their entire county ticket this year. And don't you forget it!**

Little neutral countries across the continent are being stepped on in the excitement.

There is no cause for the advance in the prices of food stuffs in this country on account of the European war.

Sunday was a cool and pleasant day in the city and coming as it did after a warm spell the coolness was appreciated by our people.

Let's quit talking war and hard times and get up two hours earlier in the morning and do a little more boosting.

In spite of the war, Christmas will come along about the usual time of year. And remember that a great many of the Christmas toys are made in Germany, Austria and Russia.

**The Asheboro Graded Schools will open for the fall term on September 16. An excellent corps of teachers has been secured for this year's faculty, and a most successful opening is anticipated.**

Some years ago a man down in Montgomery county went to a gold mine to get a job and told the manager that he never drunk a drop of liquor, had never swore an oath and had never told a lie. The manager looked at him and said: "My friend, this is a d—— rough country for an angel to live in."

Why don't the farmers in Randolph County raise more honey for the local market? It would be an easy matter for farmers who are cultivating clover to raise bees and make honey for home consumption and for the market. So talk up the bee culture.

Our good friend, Mr. P. H. Henley, of Randleman Route 2, has returned home after spending a couple of weeks at Mt. Vernon Springs, Chatham County. It is useless to say that he enjoyed the time he was away. He reports fine crops in Chatham.

**Your correspondent is ready to offer his services to assist in a peaceful settlement of the European difficulties. When he goes up town and buys a quarter's worth ofsugar, judging from the size of the sack, one would believe the grocer had made a mistake and given him radium instead. He is ready for peace.**

**Mr. T. J. Finch, chairman of the Randolph County Democratic executive committee, was here Tuesday making arrangements for the fall campaign. His experience in the great game of politics and his well known ability to get things done has won him first place in the councils of his party. Democrats of Randolph county have a chance to increase their majority all down the line.**

## STATE NEWS ITEMS

**HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST GATHERED FROM OUR EXCHANGES AND CONDENSED IN BRIEF FORM.**

The home of Mrs. R. S. Howland in Asheville was completely destroyed by fire last Sunday afternoon, catching from a defective flue. Owing to the elevation of the residence the water pressure was very low and although the firemen were on the scene early they could not save the building.

Final arrangements were completed last Saturday night for a cotton storage warehouse for Wilson and the committe reported stock subscribed amounting to $20,000.

Four people were injured, one of whom, Dr. Ben Henderson, a colored physician, may die, when Atlantic Coast Line passenger train No. 85 split in two a freight train on the crossing of the Atlantic and Yadkin branch and the Atlantic Coast Line main line at Fayetteville last Sunday morning.

A. R. Morgan, a prominent citizen of Goldsboro, and for years a missionary to China for the M. E. church, while riding his motorcycle at a moderate gait was run over Sunday afternoon by an automobile coming up at high speed behind him. He escaped with his life and whole bones but was badly bruised. The reckless autoist was not identified.

That the development in West Salem, recently deeded to the city of Winston-Salem by the Moravian congregation for school and park purposes, should be known as Granville Place, the school as Granville Graded School, the park as Granville Park and the principle street as Granville street, is altogether fitting in view of the fact that the Moravians originally obtained the large tract of land formerly owned by them from the Earl of Granville, and have retained it ever since.

James R. Pusey, of Salemburg, Sampson county, was instantly killed and two companions, Henry Vann and R. F. Turlington, also of Sampson county, were seriously injured Saturday night when their motor car, crossing the track at Fayetteville, skidded followed the railroad track and turned over.

Mr. J. W. Glenn, foreman of the printshop of J. E. Barret, at Wilson, committed suicide at Wilson the latter part of last week. Sunday morning his body was found on the bank of Toisnot swamp near the Atlantic Coast Line railroad. As there was no sign of foul play it is thought he committed suicide.

An extra large number of men are in Raleigh this week taking the examination to practice law in North Carolina. The examination began Monday.

A gentleman who has been nominated for a seat in the next Senate of the state and living in a strong Democratic district, stated recently that a bill would be introduced to establish an insurance commision modeled along the lines of the present corporation comission.

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There does not appear to be any "sh's" of late in Asheboro high society.

A perfect town is that in which you see the farmers patronizing the home merchants, the laborers spending the money they earn with their tradesmen and all animated by a spirit that they will not purchase articles abroad if they can be bought at home. The spirit of reciprocity between men and mechanics, tradesmen and manufacturers, results every time in making the town a perfect one to do business in.

The latest invention to hang in the family dining rom is the gum board. It is a neat little circular board, plain or decorated, fastened to the wall. The name of each member of the family marks the spot where the gum is left until wanted. This saves carrying the gum to bed and getting it in one's hair or swallowing it in the night. It is obvious that the gum board supplies a long felt want, and he who invented the new fad will have the best wishes of the young ladies.

In some of the counties in this state farm life schools are being established. Roberson County now comes to the front with a farm life school and its first session will open the 7th of September. These schools are modeled closely after those which have met with such marked success and universal approval in the states of the Middle West. Randolph county should establish one of these schools. The purpose of these schools will be to teach boys and young men from the farm better methods of scientific farming, and to teach girls domestic science, that is to say, teach them to cook and do practical housekeeping. They will be taught the best methods of farming, dairying, orcharding,stock raising, the handling and marketing of crops, sanitation as it is related to individual and public health, selection and preparation of foods, caring for sick, decorating the farm home and its surroundings and other things pertaining to country life and its betterment. A school of this kind would do much to stimulate agriculture in Randolph county and keep the boys on the farm. It would cost the county annually about $1.500 for the maintenance of a farm life school, provided the State appropriated a like sum.

There is no room for doubt but that our town, with the united efforts of its enterprising citizens, can greatly increase the business and enhance the value of property. Everything indicates a forward movement. The high standard of morality that exists is inducing many to look this way with a view of locating. Our graded school is a feature greatly appreciated by the best people of Asheboro and is proving an attractive feature. No place of its size in this section of the state receives a greater shipment of merchandise or sends out more lumber, cross ties, flour, chickens and eggs. Asheboro is the largest town within a radius of twenty-five miles, and the metropolis of North Carolina's wealthiest farming district. The population of the town has had a strong and healthy increase. Modern improvements in the way of concrete sidewalks and street work has kept pace with the town's development. Now as many are thinking and talking of coming thither to locate, let us give them words of encouragement and hearty welcome to this goodly land of peace and abundance. Encourage those who are worthy whether they have capital or not. Labor is worth money. Those who have money will buy lots, build houses or remodel old ones. Let us work and stimulate every legitimate enterprise by giving it all the friendly encouragement we can, and unite our industry, intelligence and capital in a common cause for the good of our town. Let us cultivate a public spirit and talk less and work more. Encourage our local authorities in making improvements. Speak up, speak well, talk encouragingly of our town and its bright prospects. It is these many little considerations that make a town grow. Nature has showered on us her choicest blessings, and with prefect unity for the good of the people of our common cause. Great will be the result.

Mr. J. M. Caviness, Democratic candidate for Clerk of the Superior Court, was in town Monday. Mr. Caviness is a most excellent citizen and is a strenous campaigner. He is overlooking no chance to meet the voters of the county and is a man who makes a favorable impression wherever he goes and the more the people see of him the more they are impressed with his fitness for the place. The energy and determination which which he made his fight for nomination stamp him as a man of courage and a winner. He is always ready and willing to lend a helping hand to those whom he finds in need. His doors are always open to everybody. He stands as a central figure in his community and always lives to uphold high standards **of good morality. Yea, we have in him the type of true Christian manhood. He is a thorough live, up-to-date, practical business man, with a trained head, hand and heart and is a man in the prime of life—an athlete in vigorous health, in fact just the sort of man who will make the county a first-class officer. Those who have made a close study of politics in this county believe that Mr. Caviness and the entire Democratic county ticket will be elected by an overwhelming majority. And it ought to be for under Democratic management Randolph county has made rapid progress. Her affairs have been managed wisely and economically. Not a cent of her money has been misapplied or wasted. All our candidates are good, true, honest, upright men and their election this fall means the continuation of good government and prosperity to this grand old county.**

## STATE S. S. CONVENTION

**THIRTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION WILL MEET IN WINSTON-SALEM, SEPTEMBER 15, 16 AND 17.**

The people of Winston-Salem will furnish free entertainment to all delegates who register for the convention, including lodging, breakfast and supper. The visitors will pay for their noon-day luncheon. A plan is under way to serve lunch in some near-by building so that the delegates may be together for a social hour.

It is quite likely that this will be the last State Convention at which free entertainment will be provided. It is expected that after this year plans will be made for a strictly delegated body.

The railroads will give the usual reduced rate on the certificate plan.

All delegates will pay a registration fee of one dollar, which will entitle each to a badge, a program, and the privilebes of an accredited delegate.

No effort is being made to make this a large noisy convention, but emphasis is being placed on making it the most helpful one ever held if possible.

The program is being aranged so as to make clear the standards of organization and efficiency. The parade will be educational in effect, showing the the divisions and departments of a modern Sunday School.

A number of splendid speakers and loyal Sunday School workers in the state will take part on the program. The following out-of-state speakers have been secured: W. C. Pearce, Chicago, associate secretary of the International Association; Thomas C. Diggs, Richmond, Va., General Secretary of State Association; Miss Lucile Simooe, Norfolk, Va., elementary teacher.

It is earnestly hoped that Randolph county sends a full delegation. On account of the short distance, this will not be an expensive trip for any one in this county, and it means a great deal to our work to have a number of delegates in the convention as they will gather facts and inspirations that will not likely come to them in any othere way.

All township officers and Sunday School superintendents are urged to take up this matter at once and secure as many delegates as possible, not to exceed two from any one school. All county and township officers will be allowed to go in addition to two delegates from each School. This will probably be the last state convention where the delegation is not limited more closely, and we should avail ourselves of this opportunity to send 100 delegates from Randolph county.

Please assist the association in getting a goodly number to go. Send names of delegates to F. M. Wright, Moffitt, N. C., or L. F. Ross, Asheboro, N. C.

## THE EUROPEAN WAR

**GERMANS ARE ALMOST AT THE GATES OF PARIS—THE CITY IS PREPARING TO STAND THE SIEGE.**

After four days of desperate fighting the British army in France is rested, refitted and reinforced for the next great battle, according to an announcement given out Monday by Lord Kitchener, Secretary of State for war. The Secretary says that the British after struggling against tremendous odds at the battle of Mons, retired to a new line of defense and have not been molested since Thursday of last week. Their casualties are now between four and five thousand. Following is a paragraph relative to this battle, taken from Kitchener's report:

"Although dispatches from Sir John French as to the recent battle have not been received, it is possible now to state what has been the British share in the recent operations. There has been a four days' battle—on the 23rd, 24th, 25th and 26th of August. During the whole of this period the British, in conformity with a general movement of the French armies, were occupied in resisting and checking the German advance and in withdrawing to new lines of defence."

The important part of the struggle seems to be centered around Paris now, the German army being attempting to take the city. Having crumpled the left wing of the allies' army the German hosts whirled on the rear and a conflict staggering in its immensity is taking place on the frontier of France where Austrians, Germans and Russians have met in a general encounter. Work of fortifying Paris against a possible siege is going forward with speed, and France is considering the advisability of moving the seat of her government from Paris to Bordeaux. There is no definite news as to the great battle which is going on along the frontier.

A wireless message of August 31st says that about 30,000 Russians had been taken prisoners by the Germans during the fighting in East Prussia, including many officers of high rank.

It seems that notwithstanding repulses being received the German army is daily making advance toward Paris.

Later—While the whole world is awaiting definite news from the battle line the French war office contents itself with the simple statement that, as a result of the turning movement of the German army and in order not to acept battle again under unfavorable conditions the French troops have again retired.

While Berlin claims a German victory over the Russians in East Prussia in the capture of 70,000 men the Russians claim an important victory over the Austrians on the Galican side, with 30,000 prisoners.

Another German aeroplane has been dropping bombs into Paris, and the Parisians are becoming accustomed to being showered with high explosives. The first day the operations of the German aeroplane caused some nervousness among the women; the second day it was an old story and the third day they provoked for the most part sarcastic remarks for the inefficiency of German markesmanship.

A report says that the German advance in the North has been checked by their terrible losses during the past few days. They even asked for an armistice to bury their dead.

A telegram received in Rome from Berlin announces the mobilization of the Turkish army and that country's declaration of war against the allies is expected at any moment. England has asked the United States to take over her interests in Turkey should there be a declaration.

The Austrian army's mobilization is about complete and a report says that it is to advance against Russia at once.

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May Cassidy, the 14-year old daughter of Joseph Cassidy, of Winston-Salem, was instantly killed by coming in contact with a live wire that had fallen on the street in front of her father's home last Saturday. Mr. Cassidy was badly hurt in his attempt to rescue the child. An electric wire had fallen to the ground and the child for some reason grasped it and was instantly killed.

## BIG DAMAGE SUIT

**MRS. BEATRICE COOK, WHO SUED THE HIGHLAND HOSPITAL AT ASHEVILLE, FOR $10,000 WINS SUIT.**

After remaining out for about [illegible] days the jury at Asheville [illegible] of Mrs. Beatrice Cook [illegible] the Highland Hospital [illegible] returned a verdict [illegible] awarding the plaintiff [illegible] to the amount of $10,000. Mrs. Cook had brought suit for $25,000 damages, alleging that she was unlawfully imprisoned at the local institution, humiliated and indignities heaped upon her by the attendants. According to her testimony she came to the city in 1912 and being very nervous sought a local institution where she could rest and went to the Highland Hospital of her own free will and became a patient. She said she was locked in a room two days and nights and could not get out. That she was given poor nourishment and asaulted and humiliated by the attendants. She said she demanded to be released from the hospital but that this was refused.

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## THE GERMAN ARMY SWEPT THROUGH BRUSSELS AS A GRAY, ROLLING FOG

Richard Harding Davis, the noted American writer, who is in Brussels for the New York Tribune, cabled his paper the following vivid picture of the German army passing through the Belgian capital:

"The entrance of the German army into Brussels has lost the human quality. It was lost as soon as the three soldiers who led the army bicycled into the Boulevard du Regent and asked the way to the Gare du Nord. When they passed, the human note passed with them.

"What came after them, and 24 hours is still coming, is not men marching, gut a force of nature, like tidal wave, an avalanche, or a river flooding its banks. At this minute it is rolling through Brussels as the swollen waters of the Conemaugh valley swept through Johnstown.

"At the sight of the first few regiments of the enemy we were thrilled with interest. After for three hours they had passed in one unbroken steel gray column we were bored. But when hour after hour passed and there was no halt, no breathing time, no open spaces in the ranks, the thing became uncanny, inhuman. You returned to watch it, fascinated. It held the mystery and menace of fog rolling toward you across the sea.

The gray of the uniforms worn by both officers and men helped this air of mystery. Only the sharpest eye could detect among the thousands that passed the slightest difference.

**Invisible at Hundred Yards**

'After you have seen this service uniform under conditions entirely opposite you are convinced that for the German soldier it is his strongest weapon. Even the most expert marksman cannot hit a target he cannot see. It is the gray of the hour just before daybreak, the gray of unpolished steel and mist among the trees.

"I saw it first in the Grand Place in front of the Hotel de Ville. It was impossible to tell if in that noble square there was a regiment or a brigade. You saw only a fog that melted into the stones, blended with the ancient house fronts, that shifted and drifted, but left you nothing at which you could point.

"It is no exaggeration to say that at a hundred yards you cannot see the horses on which the Uhlans ride, but you cannot see the men who ride them.

"Yesterday Major General von Jarotzky, the German military Governor of Brussels, assured Burgomaster Max that the German army would not occupy the city, but would pass through it. It is still passing. I have followed in campaigns six armies, but, excepting not even our own, the Japanese or the British, I have not seen one so thoroughly equipped.

**Equipment is Perfect.**

'This army has been on active service three weeks, and so far there is not apparently a chinstrap or a horseshoe mising. It came in with the smoke pouring from the cookstoves on wheels, and in an hour had set up post office wagons, from which mounted messengers galloped along the line of column distributing letters and at which soldiers posted picture post cards.

"The men of the infantry sang 'Fatherland, My Fatherland.' Between each line of song they took three steps. At times two thousand men were singing together in absolute rythm and beat. When the melody gave way the silence was broken only by the stamp of the iron-shod boots, and then again the song rose. When the singing ceased the bands played marches.

"For seven hours the army passed in a solid column. Like a river of steel it flowed, gray and ghostlike. Then, as dusk came and as thousands of horses' hoofs and thousands of iron boots continued to tramp forward,they struck tiny sparks from the stones, but the horses and the men who beat out the sparks were invisible.

"For twenty-six hours now the great army has rumbled by with the mystery of a fog and the pertinacity of a steam roller.

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Mrs. Nancy Willard, wife of John Mahlon Willard, living near Deep Creek church, was found dead in bed one morning recently.

## MORE ABOUT TRACHOMA

**GOVERNMENT REPORT OF INVESTIGATION OF A RARE DISEASE IN NORTH CAROLINA—33 CASES FOUND.**

The United States Public Health Service sent an expert, Dr. A. D. Foster, into North and South Carolina last fall to investigate the extent and source of trachoma, a disease of the eyes. This expert worked all winter and well into spring visiting some 70 white schools and thirteen colored schools in North Carolina. He examined over 12,000 pupils. Only thirty-three cases of the disease were found in North Carolina and one case in South Carolina.

Of the thirty-three cases found in North Carolina, eighteen were found among 207 pupils examined at the Indian school at Cherokee,Swain county. The heaviest infection among the white was in Caldwell county, while lighter infection was foun in Cherokee and Mitchell counties. Only one negro was found to have trachoma. That case was one of the pupils at the State school for the blind at Raleigh. This case came from Wilson,N. C.

Trouchoma is a disease of the eyes and eyelids. It is usually contracted by using the same towel, soap or wash basin used by a person having trachoma. The disease is rather prevalent among certain foreigners who come to this country. Recently it has been found to be quite prevalent in the mounatinous parts of Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia. Hence the investigation in North and South Carolina.

Dr. Foster's conclusions regarding trachoma are:

1. That it exists to some extent in several isolated mountainous sections of North Carolina.
2. That only in the Cherokee Indian School had measures been taken to determine the presence of the disease and control its spread.
3. That foreign emmigration played little or no part in introducing trachoma here.
4. That the negro is practically free from the disease.
5. That present cases should be treated to prevent further spread of the disease.

## LEGACY TO STATE TUBERCULOSIS SANIARIUM

**A good woman living in the Western part of the state suffered and died with tuberculosis. She was not a woman of large means. But she had a heart and a soul, as well as tuberculosis. She sympathized with those afflicted with it. It naturally followed that she wanted to help them. After providing for her relatives and those who had been kind and helpful to her, she left the residue of her estate to the State Tuberculosis Sanitorium.**

There is a strong and growing feeling of this kind throughout the state of North Carolina. Some people are going to do even better than this good woman. They are going to do something for the Sanitorium while they live. Through the Red Cross Seal sales last Christmas the people in the state in this small way, a penny at a time, contributed $10,000, which was used in the fight against tuberculosis in North Carolina; and so it goes.

The State at this time cannot handle its tuberculosis problem. Of course it could if it would, but it will not. But the state can do this, and it will. It can provide so that the money, time and energy that is anxious to be spent in the fight against tuberculosis in North Carolina shall be directed in the greatest good. It can and will provide suitable buildings and equipment at the State Sanitorium so that the work can be conducted in the proper manner. It will provide competent directors and leaders to direct the campaign against Tuberculosis in North Carolina.

It can do this, and do it now; it cannot afford to do less. It will not do less.

## WAR INSURANCE BILL PASSED.

The administration bill to create a Federal bureau of war risk marine insurance with a $5,000,000 fund to meet possible losses to American shipping was passed last Saturday in the House. Already passed by the Senate it now goes to President Wilson. The bill establishes for the first time in American history a Federal marine insurance, though it is restricted to risks of war and especially applicable to the European emergency. It insures American vessels, their freight and passengers, money and cargoes "whenever it shall appear to the Secretary of the Treasury that American vessels,shippers or importers in American vessels are unable in any trade to secure adequate war risk insurance on reasonable terms."

## GENERAL CARR VISITS FEDERAL BUILDING

Despite the fact that the Durham postoffice has been built about eight years, and was located within a stone's throw of the offices of General Julian S. Carr, that well known citizen made his first visit to the Federal building last Saturday at noon. When the postoffice was being constructed the General said that he did not intend to go into the building until it was occupied by a Democratic postmaster, and he has kept faith to the extent that he had not entered the building until last Saturday.