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WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO THE NEXT FEW DAYS?

CONTEST CLOSES TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30— ONLY A FEW MORE DAYS TO DO YOUR WINNING WORK—BIG REWARDS FOR A LITTLE HONEST EFFORT—WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?

The second section of the last period of the contest closes next Tuesday night at 9 o'clock p. m. There are but a few more days to work for the premium ballots that will be awarded at the close of this section of the contest. Every moment is valuable. Not a minute is to be lost if you win one of these extra vote ballots. There are only three to a district and the competitor will be closer this section of the contest than it was in the previous section. It means something to your standing to win one of these premium ballots. It means that are not only the amount of votes of the premium ballot ahead of your competitor, but that you have more clubs than your competitor and therefore more regular votes.

Please Bear In Mind.

There are three districts and there are three extra vote ballots for each district. The first of these ballots is good for 350,000 votes, the second 250,000, the third 150,000. These ballots will be awarded to the contestants securing and turning in to the contest department the largest amounts of money before next Tuesday night at 9 o'clock. No offer could be fairer. You cannot be too sure of winning the largest of the premium ballots from your district. Every day the race is getting closer. Some of the candidates are showing unexpected strength and it is hard to tell who will get the large premium ballot. There is not a candidate in the race but who can win this ballot. It matters not how much you have turned in before if you turn in to the contest department before next Tuesday night the most money for this section of the contest from your district you will be awarded the largest of the ballots. The other ballots are well worth the effort required to win them. What are you going to do about it?

What You Should Do.

There are only a few more weeks of the contest and it is to your advantage that you put forth your very best effort the remaining weeks of the contest. A little real work the next few days will mean more than dollars and cents to you. You can win one of the grand awards if you will and these are many times worth the time and effort it is necessary to expend to win them. You cannot afford to remain idle now—the time is too limited and too precious for that. After the close of the contest you will have regrets if you miss the prize you had aimed at by a few votes. You could very easily miss that prize by a few votes. But you can make the possibility of those regrets very remote by doing the very best you can the next few weeks and getting every subscription you can possibly. Then if you win your prize by only a few votes you will be glad that you did your very best; if you fail you will have the consolation of having done your best.

The Close.

After this section of the contest closes next Tuesday night there will be but two more weeks of the contest. Tuesday night, November 30th, has been selected as the date for the close. The time is not long, yet the grand awards can be won or lost during these next few days of the contest. It is up to you—what are you going to do about it? You can get busy and win if you will or you can remain idle and lose.

The Prizes.

Would you like to own the Ford touring car? Of course you would. There is but one way to get it in this contest and this way is not difficult. The candidate who at the close of the contest Tuesday night, November 30, will be awarded for his or her efforts the Ford five passenger touring car absolutely free. The only way to have more votes at the close of the contest than the other candidates is to get busy and get more subscriptions. You can do this by putting forth your very best effort the few remaining weeks of the contest and getting more subscriptions than your competitor. The piano will be awarded the contestant having at the close of the contest the second largest number of votes, and so on down the list. The recipe for getting the most votes and winning these in the order that they will be awarded is the same. Get busy the next few weeks and secure a larger vote than your competitor. You can do this if you will. It all depends on you. What are you going to do?

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GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

ITEMS OF LIVE NEWS GATHERED FROM OUR EXCHANGES AND CONDENSED IN BRIEF FORM FOR BUSY READERS.

The Baptist State convention meets at Charlotte Dec. 6th.

A new \$10,000 Methodist church is under construction at Biscoe.

Thomas A. Edison has been selected by Sweden as a recipient of one of this year's Nobel peace prizes.

The sixth district meeting of the Improved Order of Red Men at High Point closed Saturday night. Ex-Gov. Cole Blease, of South Carolina, was the speaker of the evening.

On his way home from Raleigh where he had sold cattle, Louis Crawford was held up in the vicinity of the city by two negroes and robbed of \$68.

A Chinaman convicted in New York of opium smuggling and serving a term in the Federal prison in Atlanta has died of starvation. He refused to eat and went nearly two months without food.

The Census Bureau estimates that 300,000 babies died in this country last year, and it is stated that one half of these deaths was needless.

The nation's corn crop this year was the most valuable ever grown. Based on prices paid farmers November 1st, it is worth nearly two billion dollars. In size it is second only to the record crop of 1912. The production was 3,090,509,000 bushels.

The fragments of the body of an unknown man were found scattered along the railroad track for a distance of a hundred yards at Thomasville Friday morning. There were no marks for identification.

The Greensboro city commissioners have passed an ordinance calling for an election to be held Dec. 14 for the purpose of voting a bond issue of \$125,000 to be used for the improvement of the streets and sewers of the city.

Near Wilmington two negroes tried to hold up H. M. Hodges, who was carrying \$350 to pay off a construction force. Mr. Hodges knocked one of them down and drew an unloaded gun whereupon both fled.

Stefansson, the Canadian government Arctic explorer, believes that the newly discovered land in Beaufort Sea, upon which he planted the Union Jack in the name of the Dominion, is very extensive and will add many thousands of square miles to the territory of Canada.

Nellie Wyrick, a 1 year old child was killed at Ridd, eight miles north of Greensboro, Wednesday morning by a Southern passenger train.

Dr. Charles E. Taylor, formerly president of Wake Forest College, aged 74 years, died at his home at Wake Forest Saturday morning after an illness that had lasted for several days.

Private W. L. Dudshek of the Marine Corps was seriously wounded and five Haitians were killed Wednesday in a fight between a marine patrol and natives near Le Trou, Haiti.

Early Friday morning a car loaded with horses, a part of a circus train, was struck by a freight train at High Point and two draft horses were killed and sixteen others injured.

Seven hundred and fifty boys are members of the pig clubs in North Carolina. This represents the number enrolled in these clubs during their first year's existence in the State.

More than 58,000,000 meat animals were slaughtered in establishments under Federal meat inspection during the fiscal year ending June 1, 1915. It is estimated that the total number of meat animals killed in this country each year approximates 100,000,000.

Nine hundred Irishmen who intended to sail for New York Saturday from Liverpool, England, were prevented by the steamship company from taking passage. The steamship company took the view that able bodied men should not be permitted to evade liability to military service in this manner.

One day last summer a Southern railway shifting engine struck an automobile at the Conover crossing and killed two men, Eulon Bridges, of Cleveland county and J. W. Diggs, of Lumberton. The suit for damages was compromised by the Southern paying the families of the two men \$4,500 each.

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

DRIVER LOSES CONTROL—MESSRS. G. H. BEAN AND NEWTON ALLEN INJURED — ACCIDENT OCCURS NEAR SEAGROVE.

As a result of an automobile accident Tuesday afternoon near J. H. Spencer's place below Seagrove G. H. Bean, of Jackson Springs, is seriously injured internally and Newton Allen, of High Point, is suffering from several cuts on his body.

Messrs. C. C. Muse and Newton Allen, of High Point, were en route to Raeford where they were to engage in a fox hunt. Near Seagrove they took in Mr. G. H. Bean who was walking toward Jackson Springs near which place he operates a saw mill. At the time of the accident, which occurred almost in front of J. H. Spencer's residence below Seagrove, Mr. Allen was driving the car. He lost control of the car which ran out into a side ditch and then into a wire fence about fifteen feet from the road. The car turned turtle throwing Messrs. Allen and Muse out and pinning Mr. Bean underneath the car. Mr. Muse escaped with some slight bruises and Mr. Allen with a few cuts on his leg. The car is almost a complete wreck. Mr. Bean was injured internally. A passing car carried Mr. Bean to Seagrove where he is at the home of Mr. Russell Williams under medical treatment. Another car carried Mr. Allen to Star where his injuries were treated.

FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE

OUTLINE OF ARMY'S PART IN PROGRAM TO BE SUBMITTED TO CONGRESS IN DECEMBER

An outline of the army's part in the national defense program to be submitted to Congress in December has been made public by the administration by Secretary Garrison disclosing officially for the first time details of the plan to raise a great Continental or Citizen Army to supplement the regular establishment.

In brief, it is proposed to increase the regular army from 108,000, to 141,843 officers and men (changing the term of enlistment from four years with the colors and three on furlough to two years with the colors and four years on furlough); to organize a Federal citizen army of 400,000 (to be enlisted 133,000 a year for three years); to strengthen the State militia by increased appropriations and closer co-operation; and to spend \$20,000,000 a year for four years on coast defenses and \$26,000,000 a year for four years in the accumulation of reserve material for use by a force of 500,000 men.

Mr. Garrison says that the framers of the new policy are fully conscious of the possibility of formulating military policies much better in theory, but that "after concentrated consideration of existing legal and other conditions they think it will be found that almost insuperable objections and difficulties arise in carrying into practical operation suggestions that from the military standpoint might otherwise be very acceptable.

The statement reveals that in the preparation of their plans, War Department officials have called into consultation specialists in various lines of private industry.

HONOR ROLL OF FARMER HIGH SCHOOL FOR OCTOBER

First grade—Inez Troglon.
Second grade—Alvis Stout.
Third grade—Friendless Harris, Mildred Russell, Leah Hammond.
Sixth grade—Elsie Cashatt.
Seventh grade—Birdie Wood.
Eighth grade—Justin Cox, Carl Hammond.
Ninth grade—Ernest Slack, Lucie Kearns, Sarah Shaw, Reece Kearns, Hobson Johnson.
Tenth grade—Robt. Hammond, Ida Myers.

ALUMINUM COMPANY OF AMERICA PURCHASES BIG WHITE PLANT

The Aluminum Company of America has taken over the entire French holdings in the hydro-aluminum plant near Whitney. Transfer of the property took place last week. It is understood that the aluminum company will rush work on the plant and some millions of dollars will be expended.

FRANKLINVILLE NEWS.

NEW MEAT MARKET—CHRYSANTHEMUM SHOW WELL ATTENDED — PROGRESSIVE YOUNG PEOPLE

Rev. J. T. Rogers preached his last sermon at the M. E. church Sunday evening for the conference year. Mr. Rogers is an excellent preacher and is very popular with our people and it is the wish of our people that conference return him not only for another year but the full time limit.

Mr. Oliver York has bought Eli Williamson's house and lot on Persimmon Creek near G. H. Jones'.

Mr. W. R. Hughes has almost completed his meat market building near Thomas livery and feed stables and will be ready in a few days to install refrigerators and other implements for conducting a first class market.

A. M. Swaney went to Greensboro Monday.

Allred Brother have improved the appearance of their store building by us of the paint brush.

Messrs. Bruce Weatherly and C. C. Julian, of Pleasant Garden high school spent Saturday and Sunday at home.

Mr. T. A. Slack and Master Herman went to High Point Wednesday.

Mrs. B. H. Check, who has been spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. John Hicks, at Thomasville, returned home last Friday.

J. W. Steele moved his family to Revolution Cotton Mills Monday. We are sorry to lose these good people.

The splendid exhibits at the Chrysanthemum Show and Industrial Fair Saturday and Sunday night were very much appreciated by a large concourse of people who speak in highest terms of the efforts of the Ladies' Aid Society who are already planning for a better one next year.

Mr. Gile Smith is at Cedar Falls this week, where he has a contract for doing a lot of brick work.

Mr. A. V. Marley has bought the Culbertson residence on Progressive street from Hugh Parks, Jr., and will move his family to it in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Campbell, Miss Pane, Mrs. Webster and Miss Buie, of Greensboro, attended the Chrysanthemum Show Saturday night.

Messrs. Clate Moon, Tom Patterson, Theodore Kinney and Henry Kivett spent Sunday at Greensboro.

We are glad to see that our people are not only interested in raising beautiful flowers to perfection but are very much interested in raising something to eat, such as pork, lard, fine poultry, and many own their own milk cows and make their own milk and butter, and gardens where all manner of delicious vegetables are produced. Even some of our young girls are taking an active part in this work, and we especially wish to mention Miss Vannie Ausley, whose garden and vegetables the past season can hardly be surpassed and who has introduced a new variety of pumpkin which promises to be a valuable addition to the vegetable kingdom. It pays to have a home where you can board at the same place.

TRIAL IN ASHEVILLE

Judge B. F. Long a few days ago handed down his decision refusing to move to New Bern, the suit of H. B. Craven of Ridgecrest against Mrs. Martha A. Munger, of Black Mountain and New Bern. The suit is for approximately fifteen thousand dollars for services rendered by Prof. H. B. Craven in managing the half million dollar estate of the defendant for two years. Prof. Craven was formerly superintendent of the New Bern city school, but now lives at Ridgecrest. A strong effort was made by the defendant to move the case to New Bern and the argument about it was heard by Judge Long in Asheville some time ago. Ex-Judge O. H. Guion, of New Bern and Merrick and Barnard, of Asheville, represented the defendant. Bruce Craven, of Trinity, was the sole attorney for the plaintiff. The case is due to be tried at the next term of Buncombe county court.

Twelve men and girls lost their lives Saturday in a fire that destroyed an old four-story brick and wooden factory building in the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn, N. Y. The building was occupied by a candy manufacturing concern and three clothing manufacturers.

NOTE TO GREAT BRITAIN

BLOCKADE INDEFENSIBLE AND INEFFECTIVE—GREAT BRITAIN MUST HEW TO THE LINE

The American note to the British government on Great Britain's interference with American trade has been made public. It calls the blockade of the entente allies "ineffective, illegal and indefensible" and declares that the United States cannot "with complacency suffer further subordination of its rights and interests."

It insists that the relations between the United States and Great Britain be governed not by a policy of expediency but by those established rules of international conduct to which Great Britain in the past has held the United States to account when the latter nation was a belligerent in a struggle for national existence.

Declaring the United States "unhesitatingly assumes" the task of championing the integrity of neutral rights, the note proclaims that the American government will devote its energies to the task, exercising always an impartial attitude.

The body of the note is divided into 35 points, dealing with all phases of the contraband question, seizures and detentions, prior to as well as after, the so-called blockade was instituted, and announces that a separate communication will be sent soon dealing particularly with the "propriety and right of the British government to include in their list of contraband of war certain articles which have been so included."

NEWS AND OBSERVER PLANT DESTROYED BY FIRE

Fire in Raleigh early Saturday morning destroyed the buildings and equipment of the News and Observer, the printing firm of E. M. Uzzell and Company, and the annex of the Raleigh apartment house, the latter containing three stores and a moving picture show.

The loss is estimated at \$300,000, the greater part of which falls upon the News and Observer and E. M. Uzzell and Company. The State of North Carolina lost about \$60,000 in books, records and other forms that were stored in the printing house of E. M. Uzzell and Company.

The publication of the News and Observer will be continued from the office of the Raleigh Times until the new home is built and equipped.

FRANK SNIPES AND TWO SONS UNDER BOND

Frank Snipes, Sr., the notorious Forsyth blockader, who was arrested recently charged with resisting and interfering with Revenue Officers Neeley and Johnson, waived examination when carried before United States Commissioner Beckerdite, in Winston-Salem, Thursday afternoon for a preliminary hearing. He was held under a bond for \$10,000 for his appearance at the December term of the Federal Court at Greensboro.

PRESIDENT SPEAKS ON DEFENSE PROGRAM

President Wilson opened the administration campaign for his policy of national defense program in a comprehensive and carefully prepared address delivered in New York Thursday night at the Manhattan Club banquet. He declared solemnly that the United States had no aggressive purposes, but must be prepared to defend itself in order to assume "full liberty and self-government."

The President called up "men of all shades of political opinion" to rally to the support of the defense program. He said it represented "the best professional and expert opinion of the country" and gave warning that "if men differ with me in this vital matter, I shall ask them to make it clear how far and in what way they are interested in making the permanent interests of the country safe against disturbances."

PRESIDENT QUOTES SCRIPTURE

President Wilson finds support in the Scripture for his policy of national defense and in a letter to Seth Lowe, of New York, who wrote the President commending him for his speech before the Manhattan club, cites the 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th and 6th verses of the 3rd chapter of Ezekiel,

FIRE AT HICKORY

Fire causing property loss estimated at \$100,000 and endangering property valued at over \$1,000,000 completely destroyed the plant of the Hickory Manufacturing Company at Hickory Sunday night. An entire city block was burned over and much was burned over in addition to the mill.

Brantley C. Hicks, a prominent merchant of Louisburg, died Friday morning after an illness of more than a year.

EDUCATIONAL RALLY AT LEXINGTON

Fully 10,000 people attended the educational rally at Lexington last Friday. This demonstration was the opening gun of the moonlight campaign in the State. Dr. J. Y. Joyner made the address of the day. He made a powerful appeal for the man who had never had a chance. He denounced the bad advertisement the State was getting from the fact that 14 out of every 100 men in North Carolina could not read the ballot they vote.