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THE BLESSING OF THE YEAR

Gov. T. W. Bickett

Selection comes through sacrifice. He who would truly save his life must be ever ready to lose it.

The man or the nation that prizes wealth above honor, and riches above righteousness, is dust already, and can never hope to put on immortality.

In the province of God the world is today engaged in blood-red debate to determine whether governments henceforth be guided by the love of justice or by lust for self and power.

Not in rashness nor in anger, but thoughtfully, in the fear of God, and out of respect for its own conscience, this nation has consecrated its unlimited resources and its unconquerable spirit to the maintenance of governments that will guarantee fair treatment to every man and every nation.

It is cause for universal thanksgiving that in the most august hour of human history the conscience of our people triumphed over the counsel of selfishness and fear.

This the blessing of the year.

And I call upon the people of North Carolina to assemble on that day in their places of worship, and with humble and contrite hearts give thanks to the Lord of Hosts and the Harvest for His omniscient care.

And let us remember in helpful ways the widow and the orphan and all who walk in the shadow of adversity.

And let us pray unceasingly that He who "rides the whirlwind and directs the storm"

may crown our forces on sea and land with everlasting victor, and that war may come no more upon the earth.

Notice of Sale

I will on Tuesday December 4th, 1917, in Leesburg, sell for cash to the highest bidder as follows:

Household and kitchen furniture, 1 horse wagon and harness, 1 buggy and harness, one good horse, lot of corn and feed of all kinds. Sale begins at eleven o'clock prompt.

A. A. Fuller.

Administrator's Notice

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of G. D. Neal, deceased, late of Person County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Woodsdale, N. C., on or before the 24th day of November, 1918, or this notice will be fled in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This November 24, 1917.

S. M. Neal, Administrator.

Wm. D. Merritt, Attorney.

First Baptist Church Announcement

Preaching Sunday 11 a. m., and 7 p. m.

Bible School Sunday 9:30, J. W. Noell, Superintendent.

Thanksgiving service Thur. evening 7 o'clock. There will be no service Wednesday evening.

B. Y. P. U. Sunday evening 6:30.

Miss Edna Bradsher, President.

We are delighted to have you worship with us. A cordial welcome to all.

Presbyterian Announcement

Thanksgiving service Thur. night 7:30 p. m. The Pastor will preach a sermon appropriate to the occasion.

Sunday School Sunday at 9:45 a. m., Mr. H. L. Crowell, Superintendent.

Preaching at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m., by the Pastor. A cordial welcome awaits you at all these services.

Same Guy in U. S. Dept. of Agriculture Fool Advice to N. C. Farmers to Curtail Rye

The United States Department of Agriculture employs several fools that ought never have been on the payroll—for instance several of the cook experts who get up to the food recipes and the flathead crop expert who advises North Carolina farmers to curtail raising rye, one of the state's best, greatest and decidedly most valuable crops. There mere suggestion would be enough to make one laugh if it wasn't so foolish and idiotic—and then think of the source that lets such fool rot be published in a special bulletin to be sent broadcast in this state. The editor of this paper objects to it. About the next thing we expect to see this Bowery farm yap advocate is: fertilizing dogs to make fleas grow big enough and strong enough to yank a horse's eye clear across 20-acre field every hop; to plant wheelbarrows in rows in the spring and gather farm-wagons at

RESERVE MILITIA FOR PERSON COUNTY

Upon call of the National Council of Defense, who have been appointed by Governor Bickett to enlist a Militia for Person County, the following that were selected responded to this call, and have taken the oath and signed the contract of enlistment: W. C. Watkins, Tom B. Davis, T. E. Austin, J. E. Montague, Harry Winstead, Frank Hester, Alex Sergeant, Will Pointer, Louis Stanfield, G. L. Cunningham, David Brooks, Alex Bass, O. B. McBroom, J. E. Winstead, J. G. Moore, J. G. Chambers, J. H. Whitt, Frank Cash, C. C. Cunningham, T. M. Bumpass, N. Lunsford, Melvin Clayton, Hubert Morton, Flem Long, J. W. Allgood, Clyde Wagstaff, W. B. Cozart, T. T. Hester, Connie Cozart, Earl Mitchell, R. G. Dickerson, Walter Clayton, J. P. Meadows, A. E. Fogleman, R. H. Oakley, Walter R. Woody, E. E. Bradsher, B. R. Long, M. W. Saterfield.

Some who were selected were unable to be present today and will join later, others have refused to serve. The officers are as follows: Captain, J. P. Meadows, First Lieutenant, C. C. Cunningham.

These men hereafter are the guardians of our homes and our property while our soldiers are in training at the camps or fighting for our liberties in France.

Our appreciative thanks are given to each one of these with the assurance that they shall have our hearty support in the execution of their duties. Each one of these men is making a personal sacrifice to accept this service, and they are doing what is the duty of each one of us to do, to serve our country when called.

COUNCIL OF NATIONAL DEFENSE OF PERSON COUNTY.

Percentage of Sick at Army Camps

Less Than 2 Per Cent.

Returning from inspection trips to 10 Army and aviation camps, Cal. Weston P. Chamberlain, of the Surgeon General's Office, reports that the per cent of sick ranges from below 1 per cent to slightly below 2 per cent.

Among the conditions leading to treatment in hospital are severe colds, tonsillitis, slight injuries, and other comparatively slight ailments. About the only serious disease found at any camp was pneumonia.

Each national Army camp has a thousand-bed hospital, equipped in accordance with most approved modern practice.

Users of Explosives Must Secure Federal Licenses

A Federal license is now required in the United States for the legal possession of explosives, any person having explosives and not holding a license, therefor being subject to a fine of \$5,000 and imprisonment for one year.

Only citizens of the United States and friendly countries may obtain licenses. The purchaser of dynamite must state definitely what the explosive is to be used for when obtaining his license, and will be held accountable for its use as stated and the return of any that may be left.

With the strict enforcement of this law the Federal authorities hope to prevent explosives falling into the hands of evilly disposed persons, and to put a stop to all further dynamite plots.

RESEARCH CLUB.

The Court of Louis XIII was the study-subject of the Research Club at their regular meeting in the home of Mrs. W. T. Pass last Wednesday afternoon. The quotations were "Facts about Cardinal Richelieu". Mrs. W. C. Bullock gave an instructive sketch of the favorites of Louis XIII, making a clear picture of the court life of that period.

At the conclusion of the study hour, the hostess served a delightful salad course.

WADE-WRENN

Married near Mill Creek, at the home of the brides parents on Nov. 6th 1917. Mr. Robert Wade to Miss Ervie Wrenn. Mr. Wade is a prosperous young farmer of this community. Miss Wrenn is the charming young daughter of Mr. T. B. Wrenn.

Their many friends wish them a happy and prosperous life.—Jno. L. Gentry.

A nice lot of young men's trench coats, the swellest styles you have seen, received this week at Harris & Burns.

T. W. PASS & SON

U-BOAT IS CAPTURED BY OUR DESTROYERS

ONE OF CREW DROWNED

Submarine Which Was Destroyed in War Zone Probably of Latest Type. The American Destroyers Responsible for the Sinking of the U-Boat Returned to Their Base With Flags Flying.

Washington, Nov. 24.—A German submarine captured recently by two American destroyers was sent to the bottom by members of her opening locks below while their shipmates stood on deck with hands raised in signal of surrender. All of the crew were taken prisoners.

One of the Germans was drowned while being transferred to a destroyer and another died. The latter was buried with military honors.

Daniels Announced Capture.

Secretary Daniels announced the capture and sinking of the submarine today in a formal statement which made no mention of prisoners nor of the reason for the boat sinking. The details leaked out at the department later, but the secretary would neither confirm nor deny them, saying he had issued the statement in agreement with the British admiralty and could not add to it.

There was a report in naval circles that approximately 40 men, including five officers, were taken off the submarine. If this were true, it was pointed out the vessel undoubtedly was one of the largest of the cruiser type known authentically to be operated by the Germans.

Action Occurred in War Zone

The action occurred in the war zone several days ago and the submarine went down while one destroyer was attempting to tow her to port. Although the British policy is to publish nothing in such cases, an agreement was reached between the navy department and the British Admiralty to give out certain facts which Secretary Daniels announced today in a brief statement. Officers of both the war and navy departments, however, were too elated over the news to keep it quiet. First the report spread that some prisoners had been taken, and before the day was over the story of just what happened was out.

Mr. Daniel's statement said a destroyer on patrol duty, sighting a periscope at 400 yards, headed for it and dropped a depth bomb; that the submarine came to the surface soon afterward and was fired upon by two destroyers at close range most for her that the submarine apparently damaged, did not return the fire, and sank immediately after one destroyer had taken her in tow.

It is now known that the submarine rose because her steering gear was damaged by the explosion of the depth bomb. As she appeared above the water to meet gunfire from the destroyers at close range most for her crew clambered on deck and raised their hands. Boats put off from the destroyer to take the prisoners on board and while this was going on some members of the crew were busy opening the sea cocks below. When the prisoners were removed and a tow line had been attached the captured craft, filling through the open cocks, went down.

Navy officers assume that the German sailor who died was wounded by shell fire, though it is understood that Admiral Sims' report did not clear up that point.

NOTICE!!!

There will be a Basketball game Friday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, between the Roxboro team and Hillsboro team on the Roxboro Basketball Court.

Some Guy in U. S. Dept. of Agriculture.

Roxboro Won By 11 to 2

There was a game of Basketball last Friday afternoon at Bethel Hill, between Roxboro and Bethel Hill. The score was 11 to 2 in favor of Roxboro. Hurrah for Roxboro.

NOTICE.

The County Union is called to meet in the Person Union Warehouse on Saturday, December 9th, at ten o'clock A. M., the regular meeting changed from the first to the eighth. Let me urge every Union man in the County to send some one from their Union to represent them, and I urge every Union man in the County to come if possible, as there is some very important business to attend to. Come, brethren, without fail.—David Long, President.

J. W. Wilson says tobacco is still

NIP AND TUCK IN CAMPAIGN

PERSISTENT WORK NECESSARY. BALLOT WINNERS PUBLISHED NEXT WEEK

The results of the past period were a great surprise to the campaign manager. Candidates did their level best to win one of the competitive ballots, and seven candidates will have their efforts crowned with success at the close.

"Nip and tuck" is still the manner in which candidates stand, only a small amount of business divides many of the candidates. Some who were leading last week fell below, and others climbed ahead with such a small margin that it is a question in the mind of the campaign manager if they can hold their place and standing without exerting every effort to get in every subscription and extension possible.

Winners of the competitive ballots, although having turned in the most money to date, might be short the votes because some candidates received larger subscriptions than others and then the amounts turned in during the different periods would make the votes vary considerably.

The campaign will close in little over a week. After the close of the campaign is the time for candidates to rest. During the remaining days of the campaign a persistent canvass among the friends who subscribed earlier in the campaign should be kept up. Be one of the seven to take a deep breath on December 8th and say, "I am glad it's over, but I certainly am glad that I have got the money in my pocket."

Efforts has been the word throughout the campaign. Effort is still the word, and effort, above everything else, will make winners of the prizes and establish them in the minds of their friends as possessing the determination to accomplish the object they started out to accomplish. Try effort during the remaining days of the campaign. All the returns are not in at the time of this writing. Ballot winners published next week.

American Engineers Install Entire Railways in French War Theater

The Corps of Engineers of the American Army since April has not only been supplying the Engineer equipment for more than 1,000,000 men, but the members of the railway section have undertaken to transport and install and put in operation overseas a complete railway equipment.

The cost of materials ordered to date is approximately \$70,000,000, including some hundreds of locomotives, more than 100,000 tons of steel rails, more than 3,000 complete turnouts, 500,000 ties, 12,000 freight cars, 600 fill and callast cars, 600 miles of telephone wire and apparatus, and vast quantities of construction and repair equipment.

A duty imposed upon the engineers has been the purchase of the necessary Engineer equipment for more than 1,000,000 men. Within 15 days after the Engineer Corps, following the declaration of war, advertised for equipment, awards had been made covering the requirements for this vast force—a total of 8,700,000 articles, including among other items 5 miles of pontoon bridge.

The Engineers have also undertaken the work of organizing and equipping troops for special services, such as lumber supply, road construction, sanitary construction, camouflage service, gas and flame service, mining work and mapping.

Permits for Persons Subject to Draft. Save Delay in Traveling

No passport is required by the State Department to go to Canada, but persons subject to draft who desire to cross the line are often delayed while their cases are being investigated.

When any registered person desires a passport or to go to Canada he may apply to his local board for a permit. If he is not likely to be called within the period of the proposed absence or if the board is otherwise assured that his absence will not result in evasion of or interference with the execution of the draft law, he may obtain the permit by giving his address while absent and by agreeing to keep himself informed of any call upon him and to return immediately upon call.

Box Party

We are requested to announce that a box party will be held at Mitchell's Chapel next Wednesday night, November 28th, at 8:30. Miss Mary Wilkinson, Teacher.

BRITISH AND FRENCH TROOPS ARRIVE UPON ITALIAN FRONT AND PIAVE LINE PERIL ENDS

BIG GUNS NOW IN ACTION

Since Their Repulse Sunday the Germans Have Failed to Renew Their Attack On the Allied Forces in Front of Cambrai.

Apparently the peril of the Italian troops guarding the Piave line and the hill country in northern Italy against the Teutonic allies is at an end. Large numbers of British and French reinforcements—infantry and artillery—at last have arrived upon the scene, after days of anxious waiting in which the Italians have borne the brunt of terrific fighting on both fronts solely on their own shoulders and kept back the enemy from a further invasion of the Venetian.

Although faced everywhere by superior numbers of men and gunpower, the Italians have valiantly defended every foot of ground in the hills and along the Piave, and in the former region in recent days actually have taken the offensive against the invaders and pushed them back from strategic points of vantage they had gained under terrific sacrifices in lives.

For eight days the allied reinforcements marched to the rescue, bringing along with them large numbers of guns and huge supply trains. All the troops are declared to be in line fit and eager to test their strength against the enemy.

Just where the British and French forces will be thrown into the fray has not been made known, but doubtless large numbers of them will be used to strengthen the Italian front on the north from Lake Garda eastward to the Piave, where the Austro-Germans have been making their strongest efforts to pierce the Italian line.

At last accounts General Byng's British troops before Cambrai were holding in their entirety the Bourlon positions west of Cambrai. Since their repulse of Sunday the Germans had failed to renew their counter-attacks.

Only minor operations have taken place on any of the sectors of the wide front where Byng's men last week carried out their swift and spectacular operation which resulted in the smashing of the famous Hindenburg line.

Along the Chemin-Des-Dames and in the Verdun region, violent artillery duels are in progress. In that sector the Germans several times essayed attacks with the purpose of re-capturing ground taken from them Sunday by the French, but met with repulse.

This ground, which is situated to the north of the famous hill 344, for the possession of which so many sanguinary battles have been fought, is in the progress of consolidation of General Ptain's men.

Daily the operations of the British having for their purpose the investment of Jerusalem are being pushed forward. Southwest and west of the city British cavalry have taken respectively Bittr station and Ain Karim, six miles and three and a half from the city's gates. Just outside the city to the west and to the north strong contingents of Turks are assembled to oppose a further advance.

To the northeast on the Mediterranean coast, advanced patrols of the British four miles north of Jaffa have been forced to give ground before a Turkish attack.

Supt. J. A. Beam left last night for the Teacher's Assembly which meets in Charlotte this week. Today is County Superintendents' Day, according to the program, and we feel sure that it will be a great meeting as there so many new problems to solve to meet the new conditions.

M. M. Tapp was sentenced to 30 days imprisonment and fined \$100 and costs in the Federal Court at Raleigh last week, on a charge of illicit distilling. John Zimmerman was given one year and one day in the federal prison at Atlanta. Zack Oakley plead guilty to the charge of illegally making whiskey, and was fined \$100 and costs. Hugh Gentry admitted to the court that he had one quart of whiskey in his possession and was taxed the costs of the trial. Fletcher Winstead was acquitted of the charge of illicit distilling, the jury returning a verdict of not guilty.

Notice To Telephone Subscribers.

The Morris Telephone Co. will observe Sunday hours on Thanksgiving Day.