

ROPER SUCCEEDS COL. OSBORN.

Greensboro Man Gives Up His Post as Commissioner of Internal Revenue. Made a Splendid Record.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 18.—Col. William H. Osborn, of Greensboro, for the past five years Commissioner of Internal Revenue, has tendered his resignation and it has been accepted. Daniel C. Roper, former First Assistant Postmaster General and now a member of the recently created tariff commission, has been nominated to succeed Col. Osborn.

When seen tonight Colonel Osborn said he could not discuss the subject and that all information must come from Secretary McAdoo. It is known however, that the Commissioner tendered his resignation to the Secretary early last winter but that Mr. McAdoo urged him to re-consider and remain with the Administration a while longer.

In the resignation of Colonel Osborn the government loses one of the ablest and best officials in the government service. Not only has the Greensboro man been one of the most efficient officials, but he has done more to keep the Democratic party together than any other man in official life in Washington.

Under his administration there has been no room for crooked business in the internal revenue department. Hundreds of men tried to defraud the government by evading taxes and they know too well how useless their efforts were. Several hundred prominent men have been sent to the penitentiary for their pains and the government today is more than \$25,000,000 better off because Osborn was at the head of the greatest tax collection institution in the world.

Something over \$20,000,000 in back taxes were collected by Commissioner Osborn. That is taxes that had been overlooked by Commissioner Osborn's predecessors under Republican administrations.

THE ALL IMPORTANT QUESTION.

Military Drill in the University of North Carolina.

(By David Jennings Rose.)

The all important question of military drill in the University of North Carolina, a question which has attracted infinitesimally small attention for a century and a quarter, is now being sprinkled with a calm consideration and earnest enthusiasm. The University students are now proving the loyalty of their State and the spirit of the institution which they represent. Such enthusiasm as is manifested in this work shows that the boys really mean business, and are willing to sacrifice the time and the pleasure to prepare themselves for a world conflict.

The course in military science is arranged so as to give five hours credit toward graduation in the academic department.

The work is to consist of twelve hours per week. The training will be under the direction of men with high reputation. Captain Allen, a Canadian officer, who has been wounded twice in the trenches in France, is in command of the work.

Lieutenant Leonard, a graduate of Harvard, has been secured to aid in the work. We have still another man who is a graduate of the University of North Carolina, 1915, and has been to Plattsburg Training Camp. The boys welcome Mr. Whitefield back to help in the struggle.

There are nearly five hundred men taking drill in the University, and those who are not taking the real work seem to be right with the work. Not only are the students behind the movement, but every member of the faculty has his shoulder to the wheel, ready to do what he can. In fact, many of the faculty are in actual drill.

"Tis fine to live with a Flag that will clean away the very germ of an aristocratic movement. But we must still be mindful of the fact that this is a time which calls for men, men who are willing to spill the very last drop of blood for a people's freedom.

However low may have been our thought in the past, henceforth we must realize that we are an actually entangled in the bloodiest struggle the world has ever known, and we must shove every effort to the front and play the part of a true, loyal American citizen.

We, as University students, pledge our honor to play a man's part in a man's world.

A Card of Thanks.

We, the members of the Free Will Baptist church of Pine Level, take this method of expressing our thanks to all denominations of our town and community who helped us entertain the State Convention which convened at this place on September 11, 12, 13, 1917.

MANY MEMBERS.

IN MEMORIAM.

Miss Lucy Hawkins Lassiter.

Miss Lucy Hawkins Lassiter, who died at her home in Elevation township on Monday night, September 17, was the daughter of Elder James O. and Lucy Lockhart Lassiter. She was born in Johnston County on May 4, 1836, and spent her long and uneventful life near the scene of her birth. She was eight-one years, four months and thirteen days of age. While not a member of any church, she had long been a believer in the faith held by the Primitive Baptists, and in a bright hope of eternal life she entered the great Veiled Beyond unflinching and unafraid. She was laid to rest in the family grave yard near Mr. R. C. Barbour's in Elevation township, on Tuesday afternoon, in the presence of a goodly number of relatives and friends.

She leaves an only sister and a number of nephews and nieces, together with a host of friends to mourn her departure. She had lived a life of usefulness and has gone to receive the reward of the faithful.

"Death is the crown of life; Were death denied, poor man would live in vain; Were death denied, to live would not be life."

The deceased was one of eight children who lived to manhood and womanhood. The eldest died several years before the Civil War. The others, two brothers and five sisters, were spared many years. Of the number there were four sisters who never married, but lived together from the time of the death of their mother in 1882, until the first one was taken a little more than ten years ago. These four sisters—Misses Lucy Hawkins, Elizabeth, Alice Rebecca and Eleanor A. Lassiter—for many years lived lives of unselfish devotion to their loved ones and neighbors, and until old age and the ravages of disease laid hold of them they were faithful in the work of ministering to those in need.

The first of the aged quartette to pass away, was Miss Alice Rebecca, who answered the heavenly summons on April 17, 1907, in the 65th year of her age. She was soon followed by Miss Elizabeth, who died September 18, 1909, in her 71st year. The third was Miss Lucy Hawkins who died this week. The only one of the family left now is Miss Eleanor A. Lassiter who is in her 73rd year. She will feel the loss of her sister most keenly. For many long years, since the death of Miss Elizabeth, they had been devoted companions. During her last illness "Aunt Hawkins," as she was called, had her undivided attention. She will miss her, but she can look up through her tears and rejoice that her sister is now basking in the sunlight of a Saviour's love.

As has already been said these sisters were the daughters of Elder James O. Lassiter who was a Primitive Baptist preacher. He was born in 1800 and died in 1847. His father was a soldier in the Revolutionary War and was with Washington at Valley Forge. The writer remembers hearing his father, who was the second son of Elder James O. Lassiter, speak of hearing his grandfather tell of the hardships the soldiers endured in the War of Independence.

Lucy Lockhart Lassiter, the mother of these sisters, and the grandmother of the writer, was born in Smithfield, N. C., in 1810, in the house which formerly stood on the corner where the residence of Dr. L. D. Wharton now stands. Her brother Thomas Lockhart, was one of the early deacons of the Smithfield Baptist church, and at one time was clerk of the church. He was ordained a deacon in 1839.

Of the other members of this family, James O. Lassiter was the first to "cross over the river." He died in May 1898, at the age of 66. The next to follow was William G. Lassiter who died on July 20, 1898, in his 64th year. The third to pass away was the youngest child, Mrs. Louenza P. Barbour, wife of R. C. Barbour, of Elevation township, who died on June 19, 1900, in her 54th year.

They were a large family of honest, sturdy, unassuming people who lived and died near the scene of their birth. Honored and loved among their neighbors and friends they, with the exception of the one sister, have gone to meet their reward.—T. J. L.

It is not wise to "put new wine into old bottles"—the spirit of democracy into autocratic governmental forms. Democracy must be expressed through a governmental organization representative of and responsive to the people.—President Wilson.

A Challenge To Men.

Are ye men? Then meet the challenge As your fathers did of old Help the cause of all the races, With your muscle, brain, and gold.

—From "Rookie Rhymes."

JOHNNY'S HEALTH AT SCHOOL.

Teacher His Guardian Angel. Parents and School Commissioners Also Responsible.

"Every child in school" is a good educational slogan," says the State Board of Health, "but his being there is not all there is to the matter. He is going to be expected to meet the demands of the class for six, eight or more months, and at the end of the term to be advanced to the next grade. He is going to be expected to develop physically as well as mentally and at the end of the school to be as robust and healthy as the day he started. This is as it should be," says the Board, "but to make it so is about the biggest problem the schools now have before them.

"In the present scheme of keeping Johnny well while he is in school," continues the Board, "the teacher, as usual, is considered his guardian angel. She is supposed not only to aid the medical inspector when he arrives for his annual inspection, if the school is so fortunate as to have this work, but she is expected to be acquainted with and to recognize the approach of the various contagious diseases. She is expected to be able to denote any defect or deformity that may be impairing Johnny's health or hindering his education. Furthermore, she is expected not only to notify the child's parents of any condition or disease that needs treatment, but to be instrumental in getting the treatment that is needed. She is already required to teach hygiene and sanitation and is expected to so apply it in reference to the pupils, the school-room and the environments of the school, that sickness shall not come near during the term.

"But Johnny's health and education are matters too important," says the Board, "for the parents and school commissioners not to take active interest in its protection. The teacher cannot safeguard the health of all the Johnny's and Mary's without their support. If their school is not to have medical school inspection under the new State law this year, can they afford to wait one or perhaps two years before their children shall have this attention?" The Board advises that parents and school authorities do not allow their children's health to suffer while they wait for the medical school inspection work provided by the State.

Death of Ida May Little.

On Friday morning, September 14, the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Little and took from them one of their twin babies, Ida May. She was only three months old. All was done for her that a loving mother and father and friends could do, but nothing could stay the icy hand of death.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. D. Little, and she was buried in the family burying ground.

This lovely bud so young and fair, Called hence by early doom, Came to show how sweet this flower In paradise would bloom.

Ere sin could harm or sorrow fade, Death came with friendly care; The opening bud to Heaven conveyed, And bade it blossom there.

FRIEND.

ELEVATION SCHOOL NOTES.

Rev. J. T. Stanford filled his regular appointment at Elevation Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Medlin, Mr. and Mrs. Talbot Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Dorman and Mr. Mather and Miss Nora Dorman motored to Raleigh Wednesday.

Mr. Herman Morgan is spending several days visiting relatives in Clayton.

Quite a number of the people from this section attended services at Hannah's Creek Sunday.

Mr. Ralph Medlin spent Sunday afternoon with friends near Benson.

Mr. William and Miss Martha Strickland spent Sunday at Mr. D. G. Allen's.

Mr. Decker Creech was a visitor in our section Sunday.

Miss Louetta Pipkin, of Micro, spent last week visiting at her uncle's, Mr. J. P. Strickland.

Mr. and Mrs. Talbot Stevens and Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Lee and Miss Bell Medlin spent Sunday at Bentonsville. They visited the old battlefield while there.

Mr. Harvey Thornton and Miss Myrtle Godwin were united in the holy bonds of matrimony Wednesday night. Mr. Thornton is a young farmer of this section, while Mrs. Thornton is the daughter of Mr. Haywood Godwin, of Pleasant Grove township. They are well known through Johnston and Harnett Counties and have many friends who wish for them a long and happy life.

Elevation, September 18th.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE JOHNSTON COUNTY BANK & TRUST COMPANY At Smithfield, N. C., at the Close of Business September 11, 1917.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$164,213.23
Banking Houses, \$.....; Furniture and Fixtures, \$2,225.20	2,225.20
Demand Loans	22,650.00
Due from National Banks	14,870.20
Due from State Banks and Bankers	600.00
Cash Items	1,091.52
Gold Coin	255.00
Silver Coin, including all minor coin currency	1,125.61
National bank notes and other U. S. Notes	6,617.90
Total	\$213,647.76

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$ 25,000.00
Surplus fund	1,500.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	3,809.77
Notes and bills rediscounted	17,500.00
Deposits subject to check	125,543.54
Demand Certificates of Deposit	32,867.96
Savings Deposits	6,336.00
Cashier's Checks outstanding	508.25
Accrued Interest due depositors	582.24
Total	\$213,647.76

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, County of Johnston, September 19, 1917.

I, T. C. Evans, Cashier of the above-named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

T. C. EVANS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19th day of Sept., 1917.

R. N. AYCOCK,

Notary Public.

(My commission expires July 26th, 1919.)

CORRECT—ATTEST:

E. J. WELLONS,

F. H. PARRISH,

S. C. TURNAGE,

Directors.

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Perilous Adventures of a Plucky American Boy Who Joined the British Patrol Fleet and Went Out

HUNTING U BOATS

No. 1.—Driving a Submarine Into the Chain Nets.

"Some bubbles, a greasy patch—that's all!" "Submarine off the starboard bow, sir. Shall I fire?" The U boat that really was an E boat.

No. 2.—Life In the M. L.'s (Motor Launches).

Cruising at night in utter blackness. Liable to be shot to pieces by friendly batteries if late in home port. Mine sweeping of Gallipoli. Fighting off Turkish planes with rifles.

No. 3.—A Motor Launch Raid Off the Belgian Coast.

By night the submarine chasers cross the mine fields, fire on German gunboats and escape. How the Germans got the range.

No. 4.—The Dangers of Dover.

Aeroplanes bombard the town. What happened to one destroyer. Dinner with officers, later torn to death. "Neutrals" who lay mines in British harbors.

BE SURE TO READ

SEA SLUG STORIES

MORTGAGE SALE OF HOUSE AND LOT IN SMITHFIELD.

North Carolina, Johnston County, Under and by virtue of authority contained in a certain Mortgage Deed, executed to John Kennedy and wife, Ollie Kennedy, and Milton Kennedy and wife, Annie Kennedy, to Mrs. Peatie Oliver, Guardian, June 27, 1912, to secure the payment of a bond for \$220.00 with interest from date, payable on the 21st day of June, 1913; and whereas the interest has been paid on said note up to January 1st, 1915, leaving due thereon \$220.00, with interest from January 1, 1915, and \$6.47 insurance paid by mortgage; and whereas the conditions of the mortgage have been broken, and the payment of the bond secured by the same refused on demand:

Therefore the undersigned will offer for sale at Public Auction, at the Court House door, in the town of Smithfield, N. C., on Saturday, October 20, 1917, for cash, the following described lot in the town of Smithfield, N. C., on which are located two small dwelling houses, to-wit:

A certain lot of land adjoining the lands of Marshall Avera, J. D. Alford, and William Holden and beginning at a stake on Fourth Street, (Marshall Avera's corner) and runs with said street 73 feet to a stake in William Holden's line; thence nearly east 210 feet to J. D. Alford's line; thence nearly North with said line 73 feet to Marshall Avera's line; thence nearly West with said Marshall Avera's line 210 feet to the beginning, containing 2-6 of an acre, more or less, it being the same lot of land described in the Deed from R. Radford to Parker Kennedy, September 4, 1880, and recorded in Book "W" No. 4, page 299.

This September 18, 1917.
PEATIE OLIVER,
(Guardian), Mortgagee.
F. H. BROOKS,
Attorney.

NOTICE.

The undersigned having qualified as Administrator on the estate of J. H. Barber, deceased, hereby notifies all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to me duly verified on or before the 21st day of September, 1918, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery; and all persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment.

This 18th day of Sept., 1917.
J. Wm. LANGDON,
Administrator.

CHAS. C. LEE,
Attorney.

NOTICE.

The undersigned having qualified as Administrator on the estate of James G. Earp, deceased, hereby notifies all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to me duly verified on or before the 21st day of September, 1918, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery; and all persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment.

This 18th day of Sept., 1917.
W. G. EARP,
Administrator.

Through Sleepers To ATLANTA And ASHEVILLE

Commencing Sunday, July 8th, the Atlantic Coast Line will inaugurate a through sleeping car line between Wilmington and Asheville, via Florence, Sumter and Columbia, in connection with the Southern Railway System, upon the following daily schedule:

LV. Wilmington	3:45 P. M.
AR. Columbia	10:50 P. M.
LV. Columbia	11:50 P. M.
AR. Spartanburg	3:20 A. M.
AR. Tryon	4:50 A. M.
AR. Saluda	5:15 A. M.
AR. Flat Rock	5:35 A. M.
AR. Hendersonville	5:50 A. M.
AR. Asheville	7:00 A. M.

Returning: leave Asheville 4:10 P. M., arrive Florence 8:45 A. M., arrive Wilmington 12:50 Noon.

This Sleeping Car Service, which will be operated until Sept. 16th, will afford comfortable accommodations for passengers visiting the Mountains of North Carolina.

The old established through sleeping car line between Wilmington and Atlanta will be continued via Augusta, in connection with the Georgia Railroad, upon the following schedule:

LV. Wilmington	3:45 P. M.
LV. Florence	7:55 P. M.
LV. Sumter	9:30 P. M.
AR. Augusta (Eastern time)	1:35 Night
AR. Atlanta, (Central time)	6:10 A. M.

Returning: leave Atlanta 8:35 P. M., arrive Florence 8:45 A. M., arrive Wilmington 12:50 Noon.

Passengers may remain in this car, in the Union Depot, which is in the heart of Atlanta, until 7:00 A. M., if they so desire, and on account of the earlier arrival of this train, and the use of the Union Depot, convenient connections may be made with through Observation-Dining-Sleeping Car-Coach trains which leave from same station for Chicago, Cincinnati, St. Louis, etc.

Connections are made at Florence with above trains by leaving Smithfield at 3:08 P. M., and equally good connections are made returning.

For fares, tickets, etc., apply to J. A. CAMPBELL, Ticket Agent, Smithfield, N. C.

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