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W. S. S. means we send ships.

War Savings Stamps will send ships.

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Mr. Hoover says, "Save the waste and win the war."

The man, woman, or child who buys a War Savings Stamp is helping his Government to win the war.

The man who loves his money better than he loves his country is a slacker in all the odious term means.

"A dollar wasted is a traitor dollar; a dollar hoarded is a slacker dollar; a dollar saved is a patriotic dollar."

Some of our boys are "Going over the Top." Shall we, who are left at home, fail them by refusing to buy War Savings Stamps and thus lend money to our Government to clothe, feed and equip our brave boys?

The State War Savings Committee has asked the people of Johnston County to lend the Government during the year 1918, the sum of \$910,822 by investing in War Savings Stamps. This is no easy task and yet it can be done. If every man, woman and child in Johnston County will save five cents every day during 1918 the sum asked for will be raised:

**STAND BY THE SCHOOLS.**

The thought uppermost in the minds of the people of America today is the necessity of winning the war at the earliest possible moment. At such a critical time in the life of our nation, it is right that this should be so. But the next thing that the people of America should consider is the education of the youth of the land. Especially should the South pay attention to training its youth. There is plenty of room for improvement in all our schools, and especially in the rural school. And the only way to improve them is to provide competent teachers. The way to provide competent teachers is to pay for them. Instead of getting smaller pay than other businesses offer, a teacher should demand higher wages. The preparation necessary to become a teacher calls forth considerable outlay of money. Then too, for several months in the year a teacher is out of a lucrative occupation. This vacation time is usually spent in further study at summer schools, which means more money. Then there is an idea which some have, that a teacher has short hours from nine until three and Saturdays as a holiday. If a teacher does his full duty, the work is never out of his mind, and the actual work occupies not only most of the hours after school session, but requires several hours in the evening. What inducement is forty or fifty, or even sixty dollars a month to such a life just indicated? The war has opened up other avenues to our women, who constitute for the most part our teaching force, and the coming year will reveal a considerable shortage of teachers.

North Carolina cannot afford to do less than she has done formerly. The comparative facts as to school expenditures are startling. As collected by Dr. Clarence Poe they are as follows: The North Atlantic States spend \$50.55 per year on schools per child;

the South Atlantic States \$18.91—not 40 per cent as much. The North Central States spend \$44.13 per child, the South Central States \$19.01—not half as much. North Dakota, a rural State, is spending \$64 a year per child, with Idaho \$55 and even Mormon Utah \$52, while Virginia spends \$19, North Carolina only \$12, South Carolina only \$11 and Georgia only \$13.

Conditions have changed since the Civil War. For the last few years there has been plenty in the land. The farmers are in the best circumstances in the history of farming. It is time for the people of the South, of North Carolina, of Johnston County, to enable their schools to take rank with the other sections of the country.

**FAILING IN THIS HOUR.**

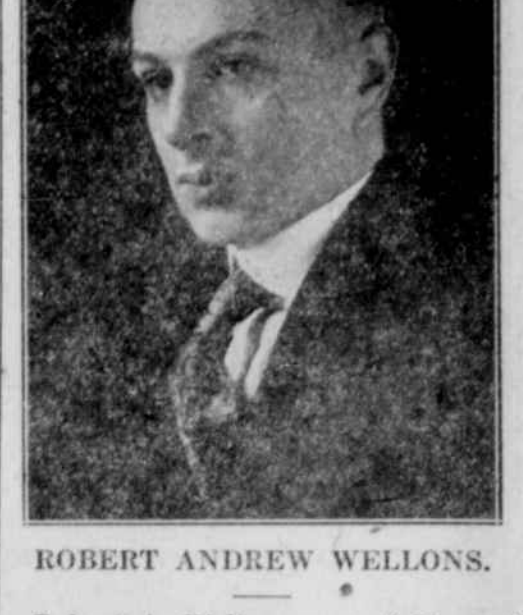
It is strange and pathetic too, to see how indifferently some of the folks regard the situation now before us. They are not able to see that our country is engaged in the greatest war that has ever engulfed the world. Oh, they know a few young men from their community have been called to the colors and are now in training to get ready to go across to fight for the world's freedom. They have heard that some of their acquaintances have invested in Liberty Bonds, and given to the Red Cross and the Army Y. M. C. A. They have heard about the War Savings Stamps, but they have not been interested. The thing that interests them most is how they can make a few more paltry dollars to add to their already goodly store. They don't mind charging twice what an article is worth when they offer it for sale. They leave their consciences at home and go on their way trying to make more money, never thinking of the needs of those who have gone forth to fight their battles. The cry of the thousands, yea millions of orphans and widows across the sea fails to reach their ears. They are wild after money. They forget that many of their neighbors and their neighbors' sons have been called from their comfortable homes, their families and loved ones, their occupations and their business, to suffer privations and hardship, while they are left at home enjoying comforts and the love and companionship of their families and friends. And when they are called on to buy Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps, they claim they are unable to help the government in that way. Now the man who is so unpatriotic as not to be willing to help his government at a time like this should be classed with the slackers. And what an odious term that is! Will he be able to hold up his head when our gallant soldiers come marching home flushed with victory, as come they must, and rejoice with the exultant patriots who have not only done their bit, but have done their best? Or will he feel like crawling away and hiding his face for shame that he failed to do his duty when the country so sorely needed his aid? Every man knows whether he is a slacker or not. He knows and his friends and neighbors know, too. God pity the man who is so wrapped up in money-making at this hour that he can do nothing for his country. Of all men on the earth he deserves pity on account of his exceeding smallness.

The Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals of the Methodist Church announced Wednesday at Washington that a survey it has just completed shows that there are 2,374 dry counties and 615 wet counties in the United States, a dry gain for the year 1917 of 88 counties. The District of Columbia was made dry by act of Congress, while New Hampshire, Utah and Indiana were added to the prohibition states by legislative action and New Mexico by vote of the people. New York added 127 towns to its dry list and Illinois closed saloons in its state capital.

Enemy submarines last week were unusually busy. Nineteen British merchantmen and four Italian were sent to the bottom during this period, and in addition another Spanish steamer, the Ceferino, was sunk. The feeling in Spain against Germany for the recent destruction of two other ships has been great, and doubtless the Spanish government will send another strong protest to Berlin.

**WAR SAVINGS MOVING ON.**

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ROBERT ANDREW WELLONS.

Robert A. Wellons, son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Wellons, of Smithfield, joined the aviation section, Signal Enlisted Reserve Corps, last Fall and was sent to the Georgia Tech Training School where he spent a short while. A few weeks ago he was transferred to the Training School at Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, where he is a flying cadet. Mr. Wellons is a graduate of the Turlington Graded School of Smithfield, later spending awhile at the University of North Carolina. He then went to Lexington, Va., where he attended the Washington and Lee University, taking the law course and graduating with the degree of LL. B., in June, 1916. He was granted license to practice law by the Supreme Court of North Carolina at the Fall Term, 1916. He located in Smithfield and became associated with the law firm of Wellons & Wellons, his father being the senior member of the firm.



CARL SKIDMORE HOWELL.

Carl Skidmore Howell is a son of Mr. S. M. Howell, of Boon Hill township. He enlisted in the Navy in January, 1917, when he was not quite twenty years of age. He is at the present time a gunner on the United States Battleship Louisiana. Like quite a number of other Johnstonians, he enlisted for Uncle Sam before war was declared. His address is U. S. S. Louisiana, Care Postmaster, New York City.

**MASSEY'S CHAPEL ITEMS.**

We are sorry to learn that Mr. Nebraska Adams' child was seriously burned one day last week. We hope it will soon be out again.

Miss Martha Peedin spent a few days in Raleigh last week with her brother, Mr. G. W. Peedin.

We are sorry to note that Miss Daisy Pilkington is on the sick list this week.

Miss Eliza Braswell spent a few days in Smithfield last week visiting her brother, Mr. G. W. Davis.

W. X. Q.

**Tuscania Victims Buried In Scotland.**

Up to Tuesday night, a week after the Tuscania disaster, 171 victims had been laid to rest at different points on the Scottish coast. There were 131 identified Americans and 33 unidentified; crew, four identified and three unidentified. The last seventeen of these bodies recovered all of which were Americans, were buried Tuesday, villagers coming many miles in a downpour of rain to pay their simple tribute to the American dead. One of the villagers carried the union jack, while an American soldier held aloft the stars and stripes. The "Star Spangled Banner" was sung, the usual military salute fired, and the ceremony ended. It was announced that the people of the country side had started a public subscription to erect a permanent monument to the Americans.

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There were a number of addresses delivered which thrilled the people who attended. Now they are carrying back to the home folks the impressions gained and are trying to rally the people to one of the greatest movements that has been projected since war was declared last April.

The overshadowing feature of the Institute was the address of Mr. Charles W. Whitehair, a Y. M. C. A. man, who has visited the war zones—Gallipoli Peninsula, Saloniki, the British lines in Palestine, Verdun and the Western Front, where he saw the boys "go over the top." He made the scenes live before the eyes of his auditors. He told them of the suffering and the hardships untold the fighting men are enduring, all for the purpose of making "the World Safe for Democracy." The great throng who heard him hung on his words and were swept with a feeling of patriotism that made every one wish he were able to do something worth while for his government. He said that we must stand by the Red Cross, the Y. M. C. A., buy Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps, but after all the victory was to be won on the Western Front with a human wedge. And it all means a terrible cost of men and means. France and Britain and America are going to win the fight by crushing autocracy and dethroning militarism forever.

The plea of every speaker in the Institute was to stand by the government by furnishing the money for the food, the clothes and the equipment of the army. It means that every man, woman and child has a part to perform in this great struggle and the one who fails in this time of stress and trial is not a true patriot. Every one may buy a War Savings Stamp and have at least a little part in the great fight.

**NOTICE.**

Black Creek Bridge between Smithfield and Four Oaks will be torn down for repair Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 25 and 26.

R. D. JOHNSON.

"HIGHWAY POULTRY FARM" Offers for setting eggs from the best blood lines in the South of Single Comb White Orpingtons—the kind that will win and lay for you. I won first on cock and first on hen, first and second on cockrels, first and second on pullets at the Johnston County Fair in 1917. Eggs \$1.50 and \$2.00 per 15. Some choice breeding Pullets at \$1.50 and \$2.00 each. Write me your wants.

JAS. L. PEEDIN.  
Pine Level, N. C., No. 1.

**DON'T FAIL TO ATTEND THE** Great Auction Sale of property of Alonzo Parrish at Benson, Saturday, Feb. 23, at 10:30 A. M. Free music. Money given away.

**NOTICE.**

In the Superior Court Before the Clerk. North Carolina, Johnston County. JACOB BOYKIN et al

vs. HACKNEY BOYKIN et al.

The undersigned commissioners pursuant to a decree of the Superior Court entered in the above entitled cause on January 31st, the undersigned commissioners will for the third time offer for sale at public auction at the Court House Door, in the town of Smithfield, N. C., the 23rd day of February, 1918, at 12 o'clock M., the 557 acre tract of land belonging to the estate of L. H. Boykin, deceased, which was subdivided and platted by E. P. Lore, engineer, into eight tracts. The upshot bid was made on the whole. Therefore, the tract will be sold as a whole.

Terms of sale one-half cash, of which 10 per cent will be required to be deposited with the commissioners on the day of sale and the remainder paid upon confirmation of the sale by the Court; the balance paid in six and twelve months, with interest 6 per cent from date of sale.

This 6th day of February, 1918. ASHLEY BOYKIN, F. H. BROOKS, Trustees.

**BUSINESS LOCALS.**

I HAVE FOR SALE SOME RED Bliss fall crop Irish potatoes at \$1.00 per peck, also seed chufas at \$1.25 per peck. A. G. Powell, R. 2, Smithfield, N. C.

SEE US BEFORE YOU BUY YOUR farm implements and harness. Smithfield Hardware Company.

SEE US FOR ASPHALT ROOFING and proslate shingles. Cotter Hardware Co.

FOR SALE: COW PEAS. WHIP-poorwills \$3.65; Brabham's \$3.75; Clays and Irons \$3.75, and mixed \$3.60 a bushel. Send us your orders before market advances. Hart and Howell, Fayetteville, N. C.

FERTILIZER FOR ALL CROPS Now on hand. Get our prices. Roberts-Atkinson Co., Selma, N. C.

SHINGLES, SHINGLES, and ROOF-ingles. Selma Supply Company.

IF YOU WANT CEMENT SEE THE Smithfield Hardware Company.

WE HAVE IT PROBABLY. WE will thank you to ask us. Selma Supply Co.

"POINTS FOR EMPHASIS," ON S. S. Lessons for 1918. A nice little commentary by Hight C. Moore, D. D. Price 25 cents. Herald Office, Smithfield.

SHOES AND DRY GOODS AT Selma Supply Company.

I WANT TO RENT A ONE-HORSE Farm on halves. If interested write M. M. Suggs, Princeton, N. C.

TWO CAR LOADS OF ASPHALT roofing just received. Cotter Hardware Company, Smithfield, N. C.

SEE US FOR YOUR POULTRY wire to fence that garden. Selma Supply Co.

WE HAVE ON HAND A FEW GOOD mules and horses for sale. Cotter-Underwood Company.

BIG LOT SMOOTHING AND DISK harrows on hand. Selma Supply Company.

SEE US FOR POULTRY NETTING and goose fence. Cotter Hardware Company.

CAR LOAD OF BEST MULES EVER brought to Smithfield. W. R. Long.

**A FEW LITTLE DUTCH SULKY**

Plows that we can save you money on. Austin-Stephenson Company.

IF YOU ARE READY TO PAINT see us. We carry a full line of leads and oil and ready mixed paints. Smithfield Hardware Co.

WE HAVE A CAR LOAD OF SHINGLES on hand. Brown & Sasser, Selma, N. C.

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED A CAR of Muriate of Potash. Come quick if you want any. Cotter-Underwood Company.

WE HAVE A CAR LOAD OF SHINGLES on hand. Brown & Sasser, Selma, N. C.

WE SELL THE NEW WAY AIR Cooled Gasoline Engine. Cotter Hardware Company, Smithfield.

PLOWS AND PLOW CASTING. Disc and Section Harrows, International Harvester Co., and Acme makers. Roberts-Atkinson Company, Selma, N. C.

WANTED: EXTRA STENOGRAPHIC work. Box No. 271, City.

ONE CAR AMERICAN FENCE Just received. We have any height. Cotter Hardware Company.

FOR THE BEST FURNITURE SEE Austin-Stephenson Company.

NICE CAR MULES WELL BROKEN Come look them over. Roberts-Atkinson Co., Selma, N. C.

W. H. WAKEFIELD, M. D., OF Charlotte, will be in Kenly at Glenn Hotel on Friday, March 1st; Benson, Parrish Hotel, Wednesday, March 6th; Four Oaks, Dr. Stanley's Office, Thursday, March 7th. The doctor limits his practice to the medical and surgical treatment of eye, ear, nose and throat diseases. Ask your physician about consulting Dr. Wakefield.

OBERS 8-3-3. YOU CAN HAVE IT today. Austin-Stephenson Co.

TWO CAR LOADS OF ASPHALT roofing just received. Cotter Hardware Company, Smithfield, N. C.

THE SMITHFIELD BUILDING & Loan Association has helped a number of people to build homes. It will help others, and maybe you. New series of shares now open. See Mr. J. J. Broadhurst.

PURE BRED WHITE WYANDOTTE eggs \$1.25 per setting, postpaid. Ira B. Massengill, Four Oaks, N. C., R. 2.

**WHAT ARE W. S. S?**

W. S. S. are War Savings Stamps. They are of two kinds—United States Thrift Stamps (25c each) and United States War Savings Stamps (\$4.13 each.) Sixteen Thrift Stamps plus 13c will purchase a Savings Stamp in February. United States War Savings Stamps are THE PROMISE OF OUR GOVERNMENT TO REPAY your money

You should buy them January 1st, 1923, with interest at 4 per cent. To help win the war, to furnish labor, material and supplies for the support of our boys at the front. They will help YOU to save, which is the secret of success. There is no safer investment in the world and they earn 4 per cent.

FOR SALE AT THE POST OFFICES AND BANKS. INQUIRE FOR YOUR OWN SAKE. WAR SAVINGS COMMITTEE, Johnston County.

**Sale Alonzo Parrish Personal and Real Property**

Benson, Saturday, February 23rd At 10:30 A. M.

- 9 Houses and Lots.
- 13 Vacant Lots.
- All in heart of town.
- 11 Second Hand Automobiles, going regardless of price. Great bargains.
- 6 Gasoline Engines from 1 to 20 H. P.
- Several Horses and Mules, Buggies, Shetland Pony, and so on.
- Lot Office Furniture.

Terms: Real Estate, 1-3 cash, balance time. Personal property cash. Brass Band. Money to be given away. GEO. L. CANADAY, Auctioneer For ALONZO PARRISH