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Have you done your bit for the Red Cross?

There may not be much in a name but that great significance is attached to numbers most of us are willing to grant.

No, John, it would not be prudent to use the Ladies' Birthday Almanac in looking up the name of your physical ailments with which to furnish the exemption board.

"I realize that a great responsibility rests upon our board and I trust that we may have the prayers of all good people that God may guide and direct us in all that we shall do," writes the chairman of the Pickens county exemption board to the Pickens Sentinel. The exemption boards are in line for divine guidance if any body ever did need it.

The list of names given in the News this week is official and in the order the men will be summoned for physical examination for army draft. Save this copy for it will come in handy for reference many times. Those accustomed to borrowing their neighbor's paper are advised to subscribe for the News and get the full benefit of many important happenings.

The grand jury reported on a big subject when it recommended a toilet at the court house for the ladies. The one for men is a disgrace to the county and that the ladies should have none at all when many of them have to attend court is a sad commentary on the consideration the women have been shown. Certainly they need a toilet and rest room, and they ought to have it before another term of court.

Gladden the hearts of the soldiers who have gone for service. A message from a friend will cheer them. Their lady friends should not forget them. Nothing would interest them more than the News unless a letter from home folks or close friends. At the regular subscription rates the News will go to any of the boys regardless of their location. There was never a better time to remember them with an interesting volume from home once a week at the rate of only 2 cents per week.

A position on the local exemption board is not a sinecure. It is a place no man could hanker after unless he wished to put in some evil work. It means personal sacrifices because it will be impossible to please all of those drafted. The appointment of Mr. H. V. Smedberg to succeed Mr. Ora L. Jones places another man on the board who is not subject to political influences. While the other two members hold office they are men of their own convictions and free from undue influences from political bosses, a situation which should be consoling to the young men. The board will do the best it can but may be expected to make some mistakes in such a gigantic task as that which confronts it.

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MANY GOOD SPEECHES AT BAPTIST CONFERENCE

I wish to remind the public of Brevard and of the county that there will be another religious conference August 19 to 24 after the manner of the one held two years since.

Rev. W. F. Powell, D. D., new pastor of the First Baptist church, Asheville, Rev. A. E. Brown, D. D., Asheville, superintendent of the system of secondary schools fostered by the Baptist Home Mission Board, Rev. K. W. Cawthon, for seven years the successful pastor of the First Baptist church of Hendersonville, and Rev. J. D. Moore, B. Y. P. U. secretary of North Carolina, will each be on the program for two or more addresses.

Other speakers will be announced later for one or more addresses each.

Mrs. W. H. Woodall of Asheville will have charge of the woman's hour in the afternoon.

The general public of all creeds is cordially invited to share the good things of those days as they did two years ago.

Pastors and other officers and workers of the country churches are especially invited to attend these services.

A. W. McDANIEL.

MANY CHICKENS STOLEN

C. R. Sharp of Selma rose on Sunday morning to learn that he had lost in the neighborhood of 35 chickens Saturday night through the visit of a thief. He got into communication with Sheriff Paxton, Asheville blood hounds were secured, and the dogs took up a trail and went to a man's house. Since blood hound evidence without something to corroborate it does not go far in court, no arrest was made.

FREE SCHOLARSHIPS

The News has received notice from the North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering at West Raleigh that this county is entitled to one free engineering scholarship, the value of which is \$45.00 per year, renewable for three years additional. Call on the county superintendent or write to the college for particulars.

A free scholarship to Berea college is also offered.

Competitive examinations will be held on Saturday, August 11, at the superintendent's office.

CARRS HILL REVIVAL

Revival services are in session at Carrs Hill Baptist church near Brevard. The pastor, Rev. E. Allison, is doing the preaching. Mr. Locke of Travelers Rest, S. C., is conducting the singing. The meeting began last Thursday and will continue through this week. Good interest has been shown.

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THE WEEK'S EVENTS

Important News of the State, Nation, and World Told in a Few Lines for Your Convenience.

ROUND ABOUT THE WORLD

A Condensed Record of Happenings of Interest From All Points of the World.

Domestic.

Uncle Sam's embargo grip on the Kaiser's throat, which is being felt on both sides of the Atlantic, is tightening day by day.

Protests from Holland and Scandinavia and from American exporters are reported against Uncle Sam's embargo.

Information comes from Washington that Italy only waits supplies from the United States before launching the most violent offensive against the Austrians yet attempted.

Reports are to the effect that the United States still lacks ships to send coal and munitions needed to the allies across the seas.

Secretary Robert Lansing, in a recent speech in New York, said that the United States must crush Germany to save the world.

Congressman Kitchin of North Carolina says that in raising the additional five billion dollars for war purposes no new burden must be placed on the poor of the country. He is the majority leader of the house.

President Wilson emphatically declares that all executive boards must adjust claims dispassionately; there must be no exercise of sympathy, affection or favoritism.

Civil service employees, either in state or national service, cannot claim exemption on that ground. They will take their chances along with other men.

Information from Washington is to the effect that many congressmen insist that in raising further necessary funds to conduct the war, ability to pay must be the only standard upon which the tax will be assessed.

The sentiment is growing throughout the country that no further tax must be placed on the poor, as that arm of society is not only furnishing the men to fight the war, but is indirectly supplying the largest amount of money to equip the forces.

Race rioting has again broken out in Chester, Pa., despite a force of nearly two hundred armed guards of local and state police and volunteer deputies. The white mobs were driven back with guns and rifles, after one negro had been beaten into insensibility.

Practically all of the National Guard has been mustered into the federal army. Those remaining are the California units, who will be taken into the service not later than August 5. The National Guard augments the federal army by something like three hundred thousand men.

Reports throughout the country are to the effect that fighting men of all ages are flocking into war service. Since the conscriptive numbers were drawn there has been an unprecedented wave of enlistments.

Dispatches from Canada show that the new conscription bill passed the house of commons by a majority of 54. It now goes to the senate, where its speedy enactment into law is assured.

European.

The British house of commons, by a vote of 148 to 19, defeated a peace resolution introduced by a Socialist-Labor member of that body. A whole evening was spent in discussing the move, but the English mind is clearly shown in the vote.

Charging fearlessly over a shell-torn field when their men comrades had deserted, Russian women fighters in their first battle took 102 prisoners—two of them officers. This action occurred on the Dvinsk front.

The allied powers are urging the United States to hasten the manufacture of aircraft, as the Teutonic air forces are multiplying with each succeeding day.

Food control legislation has encountered another delay. This time Republican Leader Mann blocked the measure, preventing it from going to conference. He wants a joint committee of congress to control expenditures written into the bill.

Russian women rushed to the colors in an effort to stay the Russian stampede, but the men failed to be shamed and continued to retreat.

The strong repressive measures advocated by Russian Premier Kerensky have not yet been made effective, but there is no doubt that he is in earnest, and will proceed to show the malcontents and traitors that Russia is in the war to gain her eternal freedom.

The German emperor witnessed a battle in which his fighting men proceeded to "show up" the Russians on the Sereth front in the east. He was immensely pleased and congratulated his men.

Two hundred and fifty guns were massed over the two mile front on which the German crown prince tried for the seventh successive night to wrest ground from the French line on the Chemin des Dames—the most concentrated, violent assault of all the seven days' fighting. The assault was a failure.

At one point only have the Rumanians risen to the occasion and shown any of their old fighting spirit—from the Baltic to the Black sea. Here, shoulder to shoulder with their Rumanian allies, they have attacked and captured several villages from the Germans.

...berger, one of the leaders of the German Clerical center, is reported as saying: "If I could talk with Lloyd George or Mr. Balfour, we could in a few hours reach an understanding which would enable of peace negotiations to commence."

Dr. George Michaelis, the German imperial chancellor, declared to a large number of newspaper men that it is clear that England wants to continue the war, predicating this on the statement made by Sir Edward Carson in Dublin recently that negotiations with Germany would begin only after the retirement of German troops beyond the Rhine.

German Chancellor Michaelis says "it would be of the greatest importance for the enlightenment of the whole world regarding the true reasons for the continuation of the sanguinary massacre of nations for it to be known that written proofs of our enemies' greed for conquest have since fallen into our hands."

The center Russian armies are getting tired out of Galicia and the northern and southern armies continue to retreat.

Evidently the preparations for the "blood and iron" policy of the government against the disaffected troops will shortly be put into full force, for Minister of War Kerensky is on his way to the Russian headquarters to confer with the military leaders to formulate plans to stay the retreat and compel the troops to fight.

The Roumanians and Russians in the Carpathian region are still compelling the Teutons to give way before their vigorous onslaught.

The Russian girls who so bravely charged the Teutons on the Dvinsk front "went over the top" yelling like madmen, firing with deadly aim as they looked death squarely in the face. Up to the German line they rushed, losing but two killed and a dozen wounded. They so shamed the deserting troops that they fell in behind them and stayed the onrushing foe.

When the fighting girls of the Russian army got to Pottava a hundred thousand citizens and soldiers assembled with hands and flags and probably the world has never witnessed such a frenzied greeting as was accorded these modern Joan d'Arcs. Undoubtedly the "legion of death" is having a salutary effect on the "dry-bones" of Russia.

Between Chevreaux and Hurtebise the French have regained all positions lost during the first few days of the fighting.

The French hold all the plateaus of Craonne and Calonne and the Casenates. At some points they have even extended their lines beyond their original positions before the German crown prince.

Kerensky, premier of Russia, was slightly but painfully wounded in the arm near Brzezany, when the Russian artillery, incensed at the retreating infantry, opened fire on them. The premier restored a measure of order.

The conference of the allied powers, concluding a recent conference in Paris, announce to the world that the allies are in the war to the end, whatever that end may be. No amendments were made to the already well-known intentions of the allied powers. Militarism must go.

The president has asked for five million dollars more for war purposes. The first year's cost of the war will exceed fourteen billion dollars, it is stated.

Washington.

Harry Chapman Gilbert, son of a white house police guard, is the first man in the country to be accepted for service in the new national army under selective conscription.

The United States' bill for the first year of the war will total seventeen billion dollars, according to Senator Smoot, who has been investigating the subject.

A \$150,000,000 dollar deficit is reported in the executive departments for this fiscal year. This is due to the war.

Many details are to be worked out in the conscriptive service before any men can be actually sent to the training camps, but it is believed a considerable number will be in camp early in August.

No attempt is being made in official Washington to minimize the seriousness of the situation in the war theaters of Europe.

All official Washington has taken on a serious aspect, because any hope of a short struggle in the world-wide war has gone glimmering with the Russian fall-down. But the tone is optimistic—"the United States is in the war, and will go through with it."

Washington army officers have been expecting the present Russian climax for some time, and were frank to say that the recent Russian advance was only the "dying kick" of the old machine.

The Russian collapse will doubtless have an immediate effect on the United States. Troops will probably be hastened to the western front, and naval action may be precipitated much earlier than expected.

The selective conscription boards are moving ahead without apparent friction. Men are being summoned in many parts of the country for examination.

After all the scare heads in the big dailies in the newspapers throughout the country about the Franco-British advance in the west, it is frankly stated in Washington that the German line has at no point been seriously impaired, and that there is little, if any, improvement over a year ago. Some go so far as to say that the German key positions have actually improved.

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